

SHARPE-MILFORD FAMILY RECORD

BICENTENNIAL SUPPLEMENT



BY

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FOREWORD

Since our Milford ancestors proudly and justly claim Scottish descent, it would be fitting here to discuss in brief the social life of the Scots in Ireland. History reports thousands of Lowland Scots' departure into North Ireland after 1600, soon after the Reformation of Martin Luther, John Calvin and John Knox. This religious fever had spread from Germany to the British Isles, just in time for the immigrating Scots to carry it with them to Ulster, their new home in North Ireland. There were two main reasons for this mass migration. Number one was that since the Scots had been expressing a strong view favoring the new Protestant movement, they had begun to be persecuted, and they would have some freedom of choice in Ulster. Number two was an economic question. The Crown, or King of England showed a strong preference for the Scots over the Irish for their ability to manage the farm lands which were readily granted to them, with large groups of Scots taking advantage of this opening and favor. Historians view the plantation plan of Ulster as a political scheme of the Crown for the subjection of the Irish.

After the American Revolutionary War, the Scotch-Irish were no longer considered a national stock, but as just plain Americans. Over two hundred thousand of these people came over into the American Colonies in the 18th century. One of the largest groups settled in the Carolinas, bypassing the Pennsylvania area and the Shenandoah Valley where the Dutch and Germans held sway.

The migration of the Scots to Ireland represented one of the greatest moves in the history of man, for his own benefit, which would be for the most part inherited by the future generations. It not only meant moving from one country to another, but represented a great change in their spiritual thinking and was tied in with the plan and purpose of our great God who created the Heavens and the Earth and everything that was created, created He it.

The Irish had proven to the Crown that they were a hard people to govern in that day before the 1066s, and as we read the newspapers today, the same thing holds true. This accounts for their favorable attitude toward the Scots in making land grants in the Ulster area in North Ireland.

No doubt the Milfords and the Scots were unaware of their final destination after settling in Ulster near Kirks Church (Presbyterian) where our record shows the first Milford (William (Billy) was born and would spend his entire life, and where his son, Robert, was also born. There is no record of William (Billy) Milford's wife.

Robert Milford married Margarette Mitchell on their plantation farm in Ulster and their four sons, William, John, Thomas and Henry were born. All four sons served in the Revolutionary War in 1776-1780. After Margarette died, Robert's second wife was Rebecca Wedgeworth, who had one son, Joseph, who was a great musician, a Fife Major in the War of 1812.

The Milford family had been living in South Carolina for some twenty years before the Revolutionary War. General Washington paid high tribute to the Scotch Presbyterians for their wonderful loyalty to him through his most trying period. It was a cold winter which his army endured at Valley Forge, with scant clothing and few supplies, not to mention the many desertions and dwindling manpower. It's no wonder he knelt down to pray

to the Almighty God, for it was to Him and Him only that Washington made his prayer. At this point, I believe that the great providence of God played a prominent part in carrying out His plan and promise made to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, "I will make of thee a great nation numbered as the sands on the seashore".

The Milfords and their multitude of Scotch neighbors who migrated to the American Colonies proved their deep interest in the church before leaving Ireland when our Great Great (we don't know how many greats, probably a dozen or more) Grandfather, William (Billy) Milford spent his entire life around Kirks church and died, was buried there, probably with other members of his family. Most important of all, they brought with them their faith in, and approval of, the great Protestant Reformation, and its bold leader, Martin Luther, who broke away from the Roman Catholic church and nailed his 95 Theses over the door of the Wittenburg Church in Germany in 1519, in which he denied the supremacy of The Pope. He retired to the castle of Elector Fredrick the III of Saxony, where he began his translations of the Bible in German.

I feel that it was the hand of God in choosing Scotland for His recruiting ground and Ireland for His training in the wilderness before leading His people across the Atlantic or over Jordan into the land of milk and honey or the Colonies of America, just in time to help win their War of Independence, and where they would be able to carry out His great command, "to subdue and replenish the earth".

About this time, in 1559, John Knox came upon the scene in Scotland, referring to the Roman Catholic Church as an instrument of the Devil, and the Reformation, the will of God. He was a great reformer and just the leader needed for the Protestant Movement. The fight that followed between the Kirk and the Crown was between John Knox and Queen Mary, with Knox bluntly upbraiding the Queen, but she returned to England in 1567 to claim the Crown and the support of Elizabeth, her cousin, only to be imprisoned and put to death. This was the closing incident of the Reformation in Scotland and Protestantism was assured. The ministers were asked to draw up the first book of Discipline for the government of the church, and the Presbyterian church now became the Established Kirk of Scotland.

John Calvin Sharpe
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The Milford Family Record - By Generations

1. William (Billy) Milford b 1693 on an Ulster Plantation. No record of wife. d in Tyrone County, Ireland, near Kirks Church (Presbyterian)
2. His son, Robert Milford and wife Margarette Mitchell had four sons
3. William, Thomas, Henry and John - all born in Ireland and all served in The Revolutionary War.
 - 2 Robert and Margarette Milford settled in South Carolina with their family in 1760, near the Busy River in Newberry County. They had brought with them a number of Bibles printed in Edinburgh, Scotland, but they were later burned. After Margarette died, Robert's second
 - 3 wife, Rebecca Wedgeworth, had one son, Joseph, a great musician and Fife Major in the War of 1812.

3. John Milford, Sr. married Mary Polly Flemming near the end of the Revolutionary War and their issue is as follows:

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| 4. | 1. George | born Nov. 8, 1783 |
| | 2. Margarette | born Oct. 9, 1785 |
| | 3. Sarah | born May 17, 1787 |
| | 4. Thomas | born Jan. 15 1789-91 |
| | 5. Robert | born Oct. 16, 1790 <i>apr.</i> |
| | 6. John Jr. | born May 2, 1792 96 |
| | 7. Henry | born Nov. 8, 1793 |

John Milford, Sr.'s second wife was Miss Rebecca Phagan, daughter of Phillip Phagan. They were married around 1798 with the following issue:

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| 4. | 1. Martha Newman | born Dec. 11, 1799 |
| | 2. Marge Flemming | Born Mar. 3, 1802 |
| | 3. <u>Phillip Phagan</u> | born Feb. 14, 1804 died Jan. 12, 1880 |

4. Phillip Phagan Milford moved to Alabama and married Martha McCarley *Aug 3, 1840 l. 1816 S.C. Bible Record to Nov 5 1815*
- Their issue follows: *d. Feb 14, 1804 S.C. d. Jan 12, 1880*
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| 1. Milisa E. | born 1841 <i>d. Aug. 1878</i> |
| 2. Awilda | born 1843 |
| 3. Rufus C. | born 1846 or 45 |
| 4. Miles H. | born 1848 |
| 5. Olivia | born 1850 |
| 6. Marinda A. | born 1852 = 47 |
| 7. Cary | born 1854 |
| 8. Laurella | born 1857 (m. James Monroe Sharpe 1854) |
| 9. Woodson V. | born 1860 |

4. John Milford, Jr. married Rebecca Milford, a first cousin, and daughter of Thomas Milford and Ellen Jamerson. To them 10 children were born: Ellen, Giziah, Sarah, Marge, Charles, Sanford, Albert, Elizabeth, Mary and Jane.

5. Sarah Milford married John Herron on Dec. 16, 1858 and they had 5 children:

1. Luther Lee born Oct. 20, 1859
2. Elizabeth Jane born April 1861
3. Albert Milford born May 30, 1863
4. Mary Ellen born April 18, 1865
5. Rebecca George Ann born Jan. 15, 1868

6. Rebecca Herron married Clarence E. Miller on Sept. 15, 1886.

Their issue follows:

Lula, Eska, Myrtle, Daisy, Lillie, Edna, Belle, Milf, Glaris
Five girls are living. Daisy in a rest home, Glaris in Las Vegas, Nevada, Belle Miller lives in Albany, Ga., and Myrtle M. Wilson and Lillie live in Lavonia, Ga.

This information contributed by John Herron

For the following information we are deeply indebted to Myrtle Miller, Wilson, C. Patrick Milford and Sarah C. Milford of Lavonia and Carnesville, Georgia.

1. William (Billy) Milford m No record of wife
2. Robert Milford m Margarette Mitchell
3. John Milford, Sr. m¹ Mary Polly Flimming
m² Rebecca Phagan
4. John Milford, Jr. m Rebecca Milford
5. Charles Stark Milford m Miriam Addis
6. Clayton Jones Milford m Emma Holcome
7. James Arlington Milford m Nelia Banister
8. Clarence Arlin Milford m Gladys South
9. C. Patrick Milford m Rachel Oliva Turpin

Their children are James Edward Milford, Richard Keith Milford
Mary Elizabeth Milford and Rebecca Anne Milford

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Logan, James	1	3	4			Nail, Archibald	2	2	4			Sherrel, Lewis	1	3	3		4
Cor, George	1		1			Thompson, James	1					Franklin, Isham	1	2	3		
Galloway, William	2	2	6			Hodge, Martha	1	1	2			Ridesdale, John	1		1		1
Duncan, John	1		1			Willis, Stephen	1	1	5			Owen, William	1		3		
Maulden, Capt. Blake	2	3	3			Waters, Phillimon	1	2	6			Gray, Robert	1		3		
Warnock, John	3		4			Todd, John	1	1	2			Lohlan, Anthony	1	2	1		
Jackson, John	1	3	4			Bladen, William	1	1	2			Lohlan, James	1		1		
Reed, Richard	1	1	3			Maulden, Harris	1	1	2			Thompson, William	1	1	2		2
Reeves, John	1	5	4			Brown, Elijah	1	2	2			Morgan, Charles	1		2		
McKoy, Daniel	2	2	5			Husten, Thomas	3	2	1			Glascok, Madden	1		3		
Murray, William	1	1	2			Haynie, John	1	2	2			Edmundson, Caleb	1		2		
Harris, John	2	3	8			Keven, Forgus	2	4	3			Erwin, Joseph	1	2	3		
Campbell, James	1	1	3			Holms, James	1	1	3			Anderson, Moses	1	1	1		
Murray, Johnson	1		3			McClister, Francis	1	1	1			Capohart, Jacob	1	1	1		
Bennet, Stephen	3	2	2			McClister, Nathan	1		1			Wood, Samuel	2	3	5		
Hays, John	1	5	1			Todd, Jeanie	1	2	2			Saxon, Robert	1	2	1		
Kestau, William	1		2			Odler, Elizabeth	1	1	3			Nelson, William	1	1	1		
Glascow, William	2	2	4			Alexander, David	2	3	6			Nelson, Edward	2	1	1		
Duncan, Mark	1	1	3			Pannel, Evan	1	3	3			Gray, William	1	3	5		
Harris, Stephen	1		3			Maxwell, John	1		3			Drennan, William	5	3	5		
Harris, Agustin	1		2			Dowen, James	1		3			Coldwell, David	1	1	2		
Pritchard, William	1	2				Brice, James	2	2	3			Ware, Edward	1	1	4		
Burford, Thomas	1	1	6			Fagan, Phillip	2	2	4			Pickens, Eleoner	3	2	3		
Hays, Thomas	2	6	3			Kavan, Alex	1	1	4			Gray, David	1		6		
Greenleaf, Peter	1	5	5			Armstrong, John	1	1	3			Canada, Joseph	1	3	6		
Johnson, Reuben	1	1	2			Anderson, Capt. James	2	4	4			Oldham, John	1	2	5		4
Haynie, Stephen	1	1	2			Derumple, Samuel	1	1	8			Murray, William	1	2	3		
Culton, Joseph	1	3	3			Poque, John	2	2	5			Murray, James	1	1	3		
Hanks, Ann	2	3	6			Nelson, George	1	2	2			Oldham, George	1	2	3		
Haynie, John	3	2	4			Jolly, William	3	5	4			McClister, Daniel	2	2	3		
Maulden, John	1	2	4			Jones, Lewis	1	2	5			Smith, Mary	2	2	3		
Oldham, Richard	2	2	6			Timins, Vinson	1	4	3			Anderson, Mathew	2	3	4		
Doude, Robert	1	4	3			Dickeson, Robert	1		6			Park, John	1	1	2		
Stephenson, Robert	1	1	3			Case, Thomas	2		4			McClister, Alex	2	2	3		
Williams, Edmond	1	2	2			Milwee, James	2	2	2			Collier, David	2	3	5		
Williams, Nathaniel	1	1	3			Bruster, John	3		2			McVay, John	1		3		
Brisson, William	1	3	8			Bruster, Sheriff	1		2			Land, John	1	1	3		
Brisson, John	3	2	2			Perkins, John	1		2			Rice, Ezekiel	1		2		2
Brisson, Samuel	1	4	3			Price, Joseph	2	2	4			Thackston, Thomas	1		4		
Brisson, James	2	4	4			Elledge, Abraham	1		2			Land, Lewis	1	1	3		
Gardner, James	2	2	5			Turner, John	2		4			Cravens, Capt. Robert	2	3	4		
Taylor, Joanna	1	4	1			Turner, Benjamin	1	1	3			Woodal, Joseph	1	3	4		1
Leller, Jacob	1	3	1			Turner, Mathias	1		1			Whorten, Benjamin	1	1	3		1
Doude, John	1	1	1			Haney, Charles	1	3	4			Betty, James	1	2	6		
McLain, Alexander	1	1	4			Gillison, James	2	4	2			Dunnigan, Joseph	2	2	4		
Glisson, Archibald	1	2	2			Jones, Samuel	2	1	2			Hendricks, James	1	1	4		
Nash, James	5	1	3			Jolly, James	1	2	3			Thornton, David	1	2	3		
McLain, John	1	1	3			Dickeson, Eleoner	1	2	2			Wafer, Thomas	1	2	1		1
McLain, David	2	3	3			Franklin, Thomas	1	2	3			Nation, Joseph	1	1	2		
McLain, Jonathan	1	3	3			Dickeson, John	1	3	2			Stephens, Benjamin	1	4	3		
Lyons, John	1	6	1			Jones, Anne	2	3	2			Brown, Griffith	1	1	1		
Perkins, Ute	1	3	2			Lynn, James	4		2			Logan, Joseph	4	4	3		
Stephenson, Alexander	1	3	2			Vann, William	1	3	4			Linch, Isaac	1		1		2
McLokey, William	2	1	3			Montgomery, Jonathan	2		4			Pewet, Field	2	3	3		
Forbush, William	2	1	4			Robertson, Nathan	1	4	5			Abbet, James	1	3	3		
Stephenson, John	1	1	2			Hunnicut, Harkwell	1	1	3			Martin, George	1	5	3		
Dobbins, James	2	1	5			Husten, Samuel	1	1	3			Burch, Henry	1	5	5		
Williams, Daniel	1	2	1			Ranken, Robert	1	2	3			Evans, Robert	1	2	3		1
Reeves, Burgess	1	2	2			Beesly, William	3	2	3			Harris, Zaphaniah	1	2	6		
Wade, David	3	4	5			Cadden, James	1		3			Hutson, John	2	5	6		
Moore, Eliab	1	1	1			Whorten, Isaac	2	3	5			Tansey, William	1	1	1		
Graham, Edward	1	1	5			Green, Mashcek	2	3	4			Hall, Jesse	1	2	2		
Graham, Peter	1	2	4			Morrow, Richard	2	5	5			Hendricks, John	1	1	3		
Maulden, Joab	1	2	1			Kemp, Edward	2	6	6			Nation, Joseph	2		4		
Lancaster, Richard	1	2	5			Vency, Robert	2	2	4			Kelly, John	4		4		
Hiddle, Andrew	1	2	1			Robertson, Samuel	1	3	2			Carruthers, John	3	2	4		
Herrin, Stephen	1	1	2			Robertson, John	1	3	5			Brown, Benjamin	2	4	5		
Shawwood, Noland	1	1	1			Robertson, Sarah	1	1	3			Kelley, John	2	6	4		
Land, Joseph, Junr	1	1	1			Wood, Jesse	1	2	2			Harling, Ellis	1				2
Land, Joseph, Senr	1	1	3			Roe, John	2	2	5			Buffenton, Ezekiel	2		2		
Warnock, Joseph	1	1	2			Thacker, Nathan	1		4			Wafer, Francis	1	2	2		
Forason, Thomas	1	2	3			Thacker, Elizabeth	1	2	4			Dempsey, William	2	4	6		
Wade, Edward	1	3	3			Barton, Amy	1	1	2			Stanley, William	1	3	4		
Sallors, John	1	1	1			Thacker, Ransom	1	1	4			Brown, David, Senr	2	3	2		
Garod, Ansol	2	3	2			Davis, William	1	2	5			Pierce, Levi	2	3	1		
Cannon, John	1	1	2			Anderson, Stephen	3	1	2			Donnel, Jeremiah	3	5	3		
Tucker, George	1	3	5			Anderson, William	1	2	1			Brown, David, Junr	1		4		
Tucker, Harbert	1	1	3			Davis, Margaret	1		1			Wakefield, John	3	2	2		
Erwin, Alexander	3	1	6			Fields, Lewis	1	2	4			Harper, Samuel	1	1	4		
Esie, Moses	1	2	2			Harris, Benjamin	1	2	1			Floyd, William	1	1	2		7
Long, John Reed	1	3	6			Siler, Wilmor	1	1	3			Reed, Nathaniel	1	1	2		
Oldham, James	3	4	8			West, Jacob	2	2	3			Langley, Joseph	1		1		
Pickens, Israel	2	1	3			Williams, Caleb	1	3	5			Moor, Aaron	1	3	3		
Graham, John	2	1	3			Robertson, Richard	1	1	1			Agin, John	1	1	2		
Davis, Barry	1	1	2			Hunnicut, Randol	2	5	4			Grigory, John	2	1	1		2
Miller, John	1	1	2			Hunnicut, John	1	1	4			McKinney, James	1	1	2		
Erwin, John	1	1	4			Jones, Willis	1	1	2			Boon, Ratliff	1	2	4		
Hall, Fenton	3	6	3			Visage, Jacob	1	1	1			Bliggs, Caleb	3	3	4		
Hall, John	1	3	3			West, Jacob	3	2	3			Fields, Thomas	3	3	4		
Hall, Nathaniel	2	4	2			Veech, Elijah	1	1	4			Barton, James	3	4	4		
Downen, Josiah	2	3	4			Serimsher, Robert	3		2								
Hall, Robert	2	3	4			Ore, Alex	3	1									
Harness, Robert	2	2	4														

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Phillip Phagan - Pendleton Co. South Carolina 1790

Heads of Families - South Carolina NINETY-SIX DISTRICT, ABBEVILLE COUNTY-Continued.

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Census

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Wallace, James	1	1	1			Maddix, Benj ^e	2	7	3			Quice, Jno	1	1	3		3
Saylor, Lenord	1	2	1			Maddix, Walter	1					Harris, Henry	2	1	1		2
Spruill, Jno	3	4	5			Joseph, Ignacious	1					M ^c Allester, Margaret	1	2	1		
Wallace, W ^m	1	2	4			Owens, Rowley	1	1	4			Wilson, Mathew	1	3	1		
Wallace, Robert	1	1	2			Ball, John	1	1	1			Strain, Jno	1	1	8		2
Cox, W ^m	1	1	1			Lock, Absolom	1	5	2			Huston, Sam ^l	1	1	1		
Jones, Jno	1	1	4			Donaldson, Tho ^s	1	4	4			Wilson, Charles	1	3	2		
Addams, James	2	3	2			Dodson, Enoch	1	2	4		3	Robbison, William	2	3	3		3
Spruill, W ^m	1	1	2			Crump, Ruth	1	2	3			Lesley, W ^m	1	3	6		
Richey, James	2	3	2			Rogers, Joseph	1	2	2			Thompson, James	1	2	1		
Dunn, James	2	3	2			Night, Jno	1	1	1			Williams, Philip	1	1	1		
Swain, Robert	3	4	4			Rutledge, Jno	1	2	3			M ^c Cord, Jno	4	1	7		
Woods, W ^m	3	4	6			Peacock, Henry	2	2	4			Greir, David	1	1	2		
Rutledge, Russell	1	2	6			M ^c David, Rosanna	1	1	1			M ^c Cord, James	1	1	1		
Haddin, Immet	1	1	1			Rutledge, Garret	1	1	6			M ^c Connell, Joshua	1	1	1		
Norwood, Eliz ^a	3	1	1			Lowrey, Jno	2	1	5			M ^c Whitner, Moses	2	5	5		
Richey, Robert	1	1	3			Tribble, Stephen	1	1	2			Kitta, Margaret	1	1	1		
Norwood, Thomas	1	1	1			Tribble, Mary	1	2	2			Cathey, George	1	3	2		
Gant, Jno	1	1	4			Tribble, Elijah	1	3	4			Thompson, James	1	1	2		
Smith, Moses	1	1	2			Martin, Julius	1	3	1			Bell, Rob ^t	1	1	4		4
M ^c Addams, James	1	1	4			Low, Isaac	1	2	1			Norris, Jno	1	1	2		
Benson, W ^m	1	1	1			Brown, Robert	1	2	6			Alexander, W ^m	2	2	2		1
Wilson, George	1	1	3			Brown, Lenord	2	1	4			Hamilton, Arch ^d	2	4	4		4
Richey, Jno	1	1	1			Lord, W ^m	2	1	4			Hamilton, And ^r , Esq ^r	4	1	2		6
Brownlee, W ^m	1	1	1			Gibson, Rob ^t	1	1	4		5	Weems, Tho ^s	3	4	4		13
Brownlee, Jno	1	1	1			M ^c Cann, W ^m	1	1	1			Merrilweather, Capt. Jno	2	1	5		2
Brownlee, Joseph	1	1	4			Troop, W ^m	1	1	3			Logan, Elinor	2	2	2		
Long, Nicholas	1	1	2			Roney, Jno	2	2	6			Moore, Jno	2	2	2		
Aldrige, Nathan, Jr.	2	1	4			White, W ^m	2	2	2			Looney, Jno	2	2	2		
Cullins, James	2	1	2			M ^c Crone, W ^m	1	1	2			Norrell, Richard	1	1	3		1
Foster, Ambrose	2	3	2			Miller, Samuel	2	2	3			Wardlaw, W ^m	1	1	3		
Foster, Joel	2	1	3			Purdy, Henry	1	1	6			Campbie, Ann	1	1	3		
Jones, Adam C. Jr.	2	1	3			Reeve, W ^m	1	2	2		1	Duncan, W ^m	1	2	2		0
Hodges, James	1	1	3			Drake, Tho ^s	1	3	6		3	Wardlaw, Lydia	1	1	2		1
Cox, Benj ^e	2	4	3			Colhoun, Capt. Jno	1	3	3			Figgs, Jessiah	1	1	3		
Jones, Cathrine	1	1	1			Michel, Solom ^s	2	3	2			Thomas, David	1	1	2		
Ball, Mark	2	2	2			Milford, Henry	2	1	2			Ford, Edward	2	2	3		
Cox, Jno	4	4	3			Colhoun, W ^m (B. Smith)	2	1	2			Youngblood, Sam ^l	3	1	11		33
Heckleman, Michael	3	3	3			Forbis, Pat ^h	1	4	3			Duglass, Sarah	3	1	5		
Barnore, James	1	1	2			Chaimbers, W ^m	1	1	3			Heard, James	2	1	1		
Webb, James	1	1	3			Campbie, James	2	3	4			Lincoln, Jas, Esq ^r	1	1	1		
M ^c Elwee, James	1	1	3			Sample, John	1	2	1			Askin, James	2	1	3		
Neal, Jno	1	1	3			Sample, Alex ^r	1	2	3			Duncan, Hugh	1	2	2		
Saylors, Abraham	1	1	2			Stephens, Cago	1	3	2			Huston, James	1	2	2		
Shirley, Benj ^e	2	2	3			Logan, Isaac	1	4	2		15	Duglass, Hugh	1	2	2		
Hughes, Rebecca	2	2	3			Michel, Mary	3	4	4		6	M ^c Allester, And ^r	1	2	2		
Hughes, Moses	1	1	3			Beesley, Edmond	1	1	1			Suit, W ^m	1	2	3		
Shirley, James	1	3	3			Carder, Jno	1	1	1			Anthony, Joel	1	3	3		
Banyon, Henry	2	2	3			Hewer, Alex ^r	1	1	2			Foster, Henry	3	1	3		
Shirley, Jno	6	4	6			Milford, Thomas	2	3	7			Parkadore, James	1	3	3		1
Shirley, Richard	2	5	3			Milford, Jno	1	1	3		3	Ganes, W ^m	1	4	2		4
Elgin, Ann	1	2	4			Milford, Robert	1	2	2			Logan, Jno	1	2	3		
Brownlee, George	1	1	4			Swanney, Robert	2	2	4			Merrilweather, Dr Zach ^r	2	1	4		
Brownlee, James	1	1	4			Sample, Robert	1	2	2			M ^c Gill, James	1	2	2		
Watt, And ^r	1	1	5			Coldwell, Jno	2	2	4			Colhoun, James	2	2	1		
Webb, And ^r	2	2	4			Colhoun, W ^m , Jr.	1	2	2			Bradaway, Jacob	1	2	2		
Phillips, Jacob	1	1	2			Heard, W ^m , Jun ^r	1	1	4			Moore, Quinton	1	3	3		3
Cullins, Jno	1	1	1			Sims, Nathan	4	3	4			Rice, Gery	3	4	4		
Smith, Nimrod	1	1	1			Griffin, Buck	1	1	2			Bochanon, James	1	3	4		
Fagustine, Jno	1	1	3			Heard, Isaac	1	1	2			Edmiston, Eliz ^a	2	2	4		2
Watt, Serah	1	1	3			Blain, Michael	1	2	4			Bochanon, Jno	2	3	4		8
Robbison, Jno	1	1	3			Nichels, W ^m	2	3	6		6	Irving, Jno	2	3	4		5
Mawring, Jacob	1	1	2			Heard, W ^m , Sen ^r	2	3	4		13	Livingston, Thomas	5	3	5		7
Hodges, W ^m	1	1	5			Eddings, Benj ^e	4	2	3			Wilson, James	3	3	3		39
Hodges, Eliz ^a	2	2	12			Milford, W ^m	4	1	4		10	Gowdey, Jas ^r	1	3	2		8
Robbison, W ^m	3	2	5			Mathews, Joseph	1	2	3			Moore, Davis	2	1	3		
Nash, Jno	1	1	1			Parker, Mary	3	2	2			Walter, Linord	2	1	3		
Barnore, George	1	1	2			Glover, Fred ^r	3	1	1		9	Black, James	2	2	1		1
Shirley, Jno	1	2	5			Burtin, Joseph	5	2	5		14	Stewart, James	3	3	4		10
Bullock, Richard	1	1	5			Michel, Benj ^e	1	1	2		14	M ^c Dowd, Alex ^r	1	1	3		2
M ^c Mullin, Joseph	1	1	5			Heard, George	1	1	2		3	Cunnigam, David	1	1	3		
Putman, Daniel	1	1	2			Heard, Charles	4	2	2		11	Griffin, Robert	1	2	3		
Holeslaw, Henry	2	2	2			Green, Peter	1	2	3		1	Ray, Isaac	1	2	2		
Camm, W ^m	3	3	3			Pollard, Rob ^t	2	2	3		1	Huggins, W ^m	1	2	2		
Smith, Fawney	1	1	3			Pullin, Jno, Jr.	2	2	6		15	M ^c Connell, Jno	1	2	3		1
Watts, Thomas	1	1	3			Shard, W ^m , Esq ^r	4	4	4		7	Ray, Tho ^s	1	2	3		6
Foster, Jno	1	1	3			Strain, Cap ^t W ^m	2	1	5		4	Moore, Elijah	1	2	3		
Bartin, James	2	2	3			Watt, Sam ^l , Esq ^r	2	1	7			Heard, Isaac	1	2	2		
Dorsh, Sam ^l	1	1	1			Wilson, James	2	2	2			Mathews, Veiter	1	2	2		
Foster, Thomas	1	1	1			Ivens, Ezekiel, Sr.	2	1	3			Bochanon, W ^m	3	2	2		1
Abbet, James	1	1	3			Howard, Abraham	1	1	3			Foster, Sam ^l , Sen ^r	1	1	3		
Addams, George	1	2	2			Ivens, James	1	1	3			Black, Mary	1	1	3		
Moore, Thomas	2	5	7			Mill & Childen (Negroes)	1	1	3			M ^c Million, Tho ^s	1	1	3		
Cooper, W ^m Robbison	3	1	3			Foster, James	2	2	2			M ^c Curdy, James	1	2	4		
Moore, W ^m	2	2	1			Defur, And ^r	1	4	3			Cochran, Agness	2	2	2		
Sadler, Richard	1	1	1			Kennedy, Hugh	1	5	4			Cochran, James	1	1	2		
Northeast, Benj ^e	1	1	7			Richey, James	1	1	2			Reed, James	1	1	1		
Shirley, Argey	2	1	4			Edwards, James	3	1	2			Sinklear, Elijah	1	2	1		
Owens, Joshua	3	1	2			Levingston, Bruse	1	1	2			Foster, Sam ^l , Jr.	1	1	3		3
Watkins, Henry	1	1	2			Road, Mathew	1	1	2			Foster, Sam ^l , Sr.	2	5	5		3
Michel, W ^m	1	1	3			Pickens, Jno	1	1	2			Foster, Robert	1	1	2		
Ball, Benj ^e	1	1	4			Lesley, Joseph	1	1	3			Crawford, James	2	1	2		
Hunter, David	2	6	3			Fife, David	2	4	3			Henry, Hugh	1	2	4		
Fernan, Herod	2	6	2									Jordan, Thomas	2	1	4		
Michel, Jno	2	1	3									Crawford, Enos	2	1	1		
Maxwell, Jno	2	1	3									Downey, Richard	2	1	5		

5 milfords - ninety - six - Dist., Abbeville Co. S.C. 1790 census

To Moses and William Liddell, "my tools, to be equally divided as best suits them" and "anything not afore mentioned" as well as my "cloathes" to Moses Liddell.

Moses Liddell and Andrew Liddell appointed executors .

Witnessed by JN. SIMPSON, ELIJAH NICHOLSON, and ALEXR. YOUNG 2-20-1798.

Proved before John Vernon JP by oath of Rev. John Simpson 2-28-1798

Proved in open court by oaths of Simpson, Nicholson, and Young and ordered to be recorded by J.B. Earle C.C. 4-16-1798

"Know all men by these presents that JAMES MARTIN of York County S.C. am held and firmly bound unto THOMAS REESE of Pendleton County S.C. in the full and just sum of 300 £ sterling to which payment will be made ... 9-19-1793." Martin is to cause to be made in fee simple to Reese a tract of 640 acres "situate in Pendleton County lying on both sides of 23-mile Creek at the mouth of Garvin's creek and granted to JAMES DUTILLY (?) 7-16-1784 and conveyed to said James Martin 4-8-1789. The said titles to be made against 4-16-1794 then this obligation to be void or else to remain in full force and virtue in law."

Signed in presence of JAMES ROSS THOMAS S. REESE and recorded 5-28-1798.

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ANDREW PICKENS of Pendleton County, S.C. for £29.1.4 paid by ALEXANDER SHERARD sell negro Sambo, formerly the property of THOMAS LESLEY, conveyed to Pickens by Lesley in a bill of sale 4-11-1794. Signed 4-16-1798.

Witnessed: W. STEELE

W. RICHARDS

AND W PICKENS

WILLIAM RICHARDS one of the witnesses proved the bill of sale before MICHAEL DICKSON J.P. 4-16-1798. WILLIAM RICHARDS signed with WILLIAM STEELE as a witness to the deed. Recorded 5-28-1798

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On 5-16-1798 WILLIAM RANKINGS of Frederick County, Va. sold to ROBERT HARKNESS negro Bene.

Witnessed THOMAS MILSAPS

JOHN HARTNESS

JAS. HARKNESS

JOHN HARKNESS appeared before E. BROWNE J.P. of Pendleton County, S.C. 7-21-1798 to prove the bill of sale, which he witnessed with THOMAS MILLSAPS and JAMES HARKNESS. Recorded 8-17-1798

✓ Will of PHILLIP PHAGINS of Pendleton County, S.C. Wife ANN PHAGINS the plantation on which he lives during her lifetime, her bed and clothing, also bond of ISAAC MITCHEL.

To son PHILLIP PHAGINS tract laid for him on the plantation at the decease of wife Ann Phagins. To daughter REBECAH PHAGANS a tract laid out for her of the plantation, and negro boy Sam. To daughter LYDDIA PHAGANS tract of land laid out for her. To daughter MARGARETT PHAGANS tract of land laid out for her.

"I will that my Estate be Equally Divided among all my Children and as MOSES PHAGANS and MARTHA TILMAN have received a part of their portion all the rest of my estate to be equally Divided only the hogs, bedding and clothing excepted and my estate only what is willed and excepted to be valued by the following men Viz: THOMAS JONES, ISAAC MITCHEL, and JAMES CROWTHER."

Copied (Page County Records Pendleton County S. C. THE CAROLINA GENEALOGIST)
George Tillman and Jeremiah Starks named executors. Signed 10-5-1796.
PHILLIP PHAGINS.

Witnessed:

James Crowther

Phillip Phagans

Sworn to in open court April term 1798 by James Crowther and Phil.
Phagins, before John B. Earle C.C. Recorded 4-16-1798.

RECORD OF THIS WILL CAN BE FOUND IN PENDLETON COUNTY , S. C. RECORDS
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Page 133 Inventory of the estate of Phillip Pheagans deceased, late
of Pendleton County, appraised by Isaac Mitchel, James Crowther, and
Thomas Jones, 4-28-1798.

~~Seven~~ members of the Walter Milford family, reported and named elsewhere.



WILL OF JOHN MILFORD

In the name of God, Amen, John Milford, Senior, of the District of Anderson and State of South Carolina, being of sound and disposing mind and memory and calling to mind the uncertainty of life and being desirous to dispose of all such worldly estate as it has pleased God to bless me with, do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament, in manner and form following:
To Wit

Item 1st. I give to my beloved Wife, Rebecca, the land whereon I now live during her natural life and I also give to her one mare and colt and saddle, one bedstead and furniture, one chest and walnut table, one cow and calf, and one pott and oven and all her wearing apparel and all the clothes in the chest.

Item 2nd. I give to my Son, Phillip Milford, the land whereon I now live after the death of my Wife.

Item 3rd. I give to my Son, Henry, a note of hand which I hold on him to be given to him when demanded.

Item 4th. It is my will that all the balance of my personal property be sold and equally divided amongst my children, John and Robert and Sully Martha and Mary, the balance of my children being already provided for, after all my lawful debts are paid.

And lastly, I do hereby appoint my friend, Charles Stark, my lawful executor to this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all other wills by me heretofore made. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this day of .

John Milford (L.S.)

Signed, sealed, published and declared as and for the last Will and Testament of the above named John Milford, Senior, in the presence of us:

Blackman Burton, John M. Saxon, Peyton T. Burton

Recorded in Will Book B, Page 71

Recorded December 12, 1837 Proved December 12, 1837

John Harris, O.A.D. Roll No. 423

FAMILY RECORD OF MILES H. MILFORD

MILES H. MILFORD, b. August 17, 1848; d. December 5, 1914

Wife: SUSAN VICTORIA WILLIAMS MILFORD, b. Oct. 18, 1850; d. July 29, 1917

Their children:

Emma Kate Milford, b. March 16, 1874; d. October 29, 1956; m. O. Gilliland

Walter V. Milford, b. Oct. 19, 1875; d. July 31, 1961; m. Anna Will Gilliland
b. Aug. 29, 1875; d. Sept. 1, 1929

Martha A. (Dollie) Milford, b. Sept. 6, 1877; d. Sept. 20, 1959; m Charles Henry
Gilliland, Oct. 26, 1898; b. Aug. 10, 1859, d. Jan. 12, 1926

Daniel R. Milford, b. Sept. 6, 1877, d. 1919; m. Neta F. Blassingame; b. 1888.
d. 1972

Margaret Frances Milford, b. March 22, 1880; d. Feb. 11, 1960; m. John Robert
McCarley, b. 1869, d. 1947

Thomas C. Milford, b. Sept. 9, 1883; d. Feb. 11, 1958; m. Angie Dunseth,
b. March 4, 1884; d. Feb. 28, 1967.

Miles H. Milford and his wife are buried at Center Baptist Church Cemetery,
Chambers County, Alabama. (A few miles from LaFayette, Alabama)

Also buried at the same cemetery are: Emma Kate Milford Gilliland; Martha A.
(Dollie) Milford Gilliland and her husband; Daniel R. Milford and his wife;
Thomas C. Milford and his wife.

Walter V. Milford and his wife are buried at Lanett City Cemetery, First Street
in Lanette, Alabama (Oakwood)

Margaret Frances Milford McCarley and her husband are buried at Shawmut Cemetery,
Shawmut, Alabama.

The parents of Miles H. Milford are buried at Lebanon Presbyterian Church Cemetery,
Chambers County, Alabama. (A few miles north of LaFayette, Alabama.)

They are:

PHILLIP PHAGAN MILFORD, b. Feb. 14, 1804; d. Jan. 12, 1880.

Martha McCarley Milford; b. 1816; d. 1901

Information gathered by:

Margaret Parker Milford
(Mrs. Claude T. Milford)
913 First St.
Lanett, Alabama
March 8, 1974

More Milford statistics contributed by Mrs. Margaret Parker Milford

WALTER V. MILFORD (son of Miles H. Milford b Aug. 17, 1848, d Dec. 5, 1914⁴
b 10/19/1875 & Susan Victoria Williams b Oct. 18, 1950, d July 29, 1917)
d 7/31/1961²³

Married May 3, 1896

ANNA WILL GILLILAND (daughter of William H. Gilliland d 3/5/1900
b 8/29/1875 & Margaret Joanna Barnes d 8/29/1875
d 9/1/1929

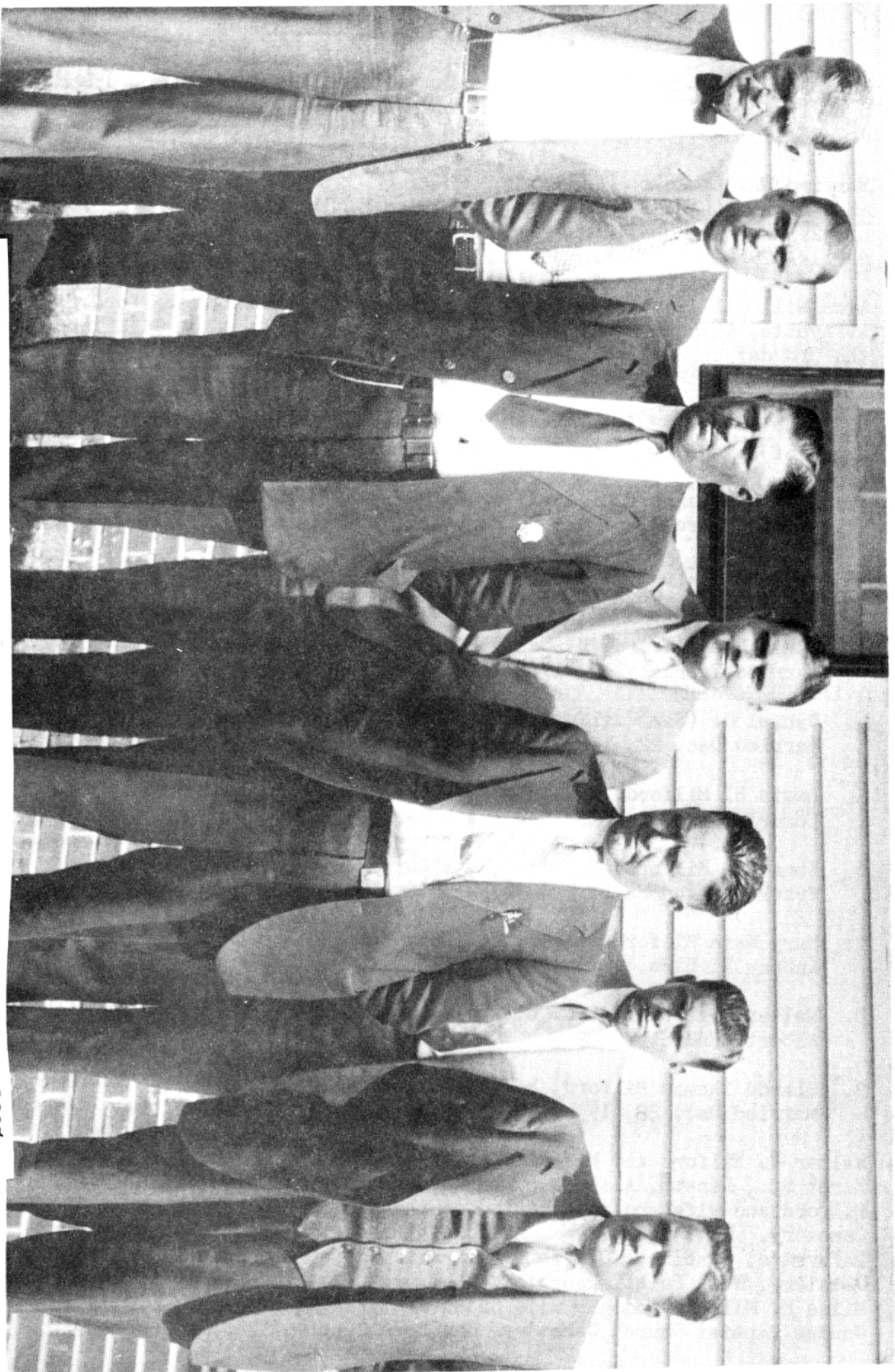
Anna Will Gilliland of LaFayette, Alabama, and Walter V. Milford of LaFayette, Alabama were married at the home of Mrs. W. S. Gilliland, on the 3rd day of May, 1896, by Rev. J. A. McCarley, LaFayette, Alabama. Witnesses: C. H. Gilliland and Emma Milford. (Copied from Milford Family Bible.)

Issue of Walter V. Milford and Anna Will Gilliland:

1. Crawford Herbert Milford, b Jan 17 1897; d. Nov. 14, 1963; married March 14, 1925 to Martha E. Williams.
2. Charles Wm. Milford, b. May 5, 1898." d. Sept. 12, 1953; married July 28, 1925 to Mary Lillian Langford.
3. Janie Lee Milford, b. Sept. 2, 1899; d. ; married February 19, 1922 to William Pervin Redmond.
4. Daniel O. (Sam) Milford, b. Dec. 8, 1900; d. Sept. 24, 1973 married Dec. 22, 1923 to Mary Afton Wright, b. 2/20/1904, d 8/5/1973
5. Lewis H. Milford, b. Nov. 22, 1902; married ~~Dec. 18, 1926~~ ^{May 28, 1927} to Lemerle Dodson. After her death married Mary Lou Dunn, m. 10/26/1933
6. Emma Sue Milford, b. Aug. 15, 1904; married Dec. 18, 1926 to Frank Stanton Farr, Sr., b. May 25, 1902
7. Mary Kate Milford. b. Aug. 6, 1906; Married Nov. 29, 1928 to Aubrey I. Sims.
8. Walter Herman Milford, b. April 4, 1908; married June 7, 1939 to Alberta McGinty.
9. Claude Thomas Milford, b. July 27, 1909; d. July 10, 1967, married Dec. 28, 1934, to Margaret Parker, b. March 2, 1913.
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Walter V. Milford and his wife are buried at the Lanett City Cemetery, First St., Lanett, Alabama. Crawford Herbert Milford, Daniel O. (Sam) Milford and wife are also buried on the family plot at the Lanett City Cemetery. Rev. Charles Wm. Milford buried at LaFayette City Cemetery, LaFayette, Alabama. Claude Thomas Milford is buried in New Marseilles Cemetery, West Point, Georgia.

Miles H. Milford and his wife Susan Victoria Williams are buried at Center Baptist Church Cemetery, Chambers County, Alabama



Walter V. Milford and his six sons as they appeared in the year 1935.

Lewis H., C. Herbert, W. Herman, Charles W., Claude T., Dan O. (Sam)

Family record of Myron Woodson Milford

Myron Woodson Milford, b, May 31, 1862; d, Sept. 14, 1934.

Wife; Mary Alice Crook, b, Nov. 23, 1860; d, Jan. 8, 1920.

m Oct, 8, 1880, bur, Oakwood Cem. Lanett, Alabama.

Their Children;

1--Clara Lee, b, Aug. 30, 1881; d, April 15, 1971; age 90.

Husb. J. Ernest Slaughter, b April 20, 1869, d, Mar. 5, 1918.

Buried, Oakwood Cemetery, Lanett Alabama.

2--Nola Alberta, b, Aug. 25, 1882; d, July 7, 1901.

Buried, Lebanon Cemetery, Chambers County, Alabama.

3--Leon Alvin, b, Dec. 26, 1885, living.

Wife, Argent Arnett, m Oct. 14, 1908, d, Bur. LaFayette City Cemetery.

4--Llewellyn Owen, b, March 10, 1888; d, Oct. 7, 1913.

Buried, Oakwood Cemetery, Lanett, Alabama.

5--Lula Vodella, b, Feb. 3, 1891; m April 2, 1910.

Husb. I. D. Jones, b, Nov. 14, 1889; d, June 17, 1974.

Buried, Oakwood Cemetery, Lanett, Alabama.

6--Pura Cova, b, June 27, 1893; m, June 10, 1912, d, July 5, 1923.

Buried, Oakwood Cemetery, Lanett, Alabama.

Husb. Lewis Handley Wright, b, 1894; d, 1967. Bur. Bainbrige, Ga.

7--Veni Ethel, b, Dec. 19, 1895; d, June 11, 1900.

Buried, Lebanon Cemetery, Chambers County Ala.

8--Vivian Pearl, b, April 21, 1898; d, June 19, 1899.

Buried, Lebanon Cemetery, Chambers County, Alabama.

Children & G-C-of Clara Lee & Joseph Ernest Slaughter.

1--Mary Alice, b, Feb. 28, 1909; m, Edward Gordon Seavey.

(1) Son, E. Gordon Jr. (1944) m, Luraine Fuller. (1) son Gordon III.

2--Joseph Ernest, b, Sept. 5, 1911; m, Selma Elizabeth Boyd, b, 1914.

(1-dau, -Jo Ann Slaughter, ~~b, at~~ Fordice, 1937; 2-dau, Charlyne Gordyce

3-dau, Lauren, ~~1~~-son-J. Ernest Jr. m Catherine Jones.

1-son, J. Ernest III.

Family Record of Myron Woodson Milford Continued

3--^{Mable}~~Mable~~ Orlene, b, April 23, 1914; m Charles Marquis ^{Ester}~~Ester~~.

1-dau, Eleanor Lee, b, 1928; m Thomas Fred McCarley.

1-son Jeffry Scott; 2-Charles M. ~~Ester~~ Jr.-1948. m Trudi Ann Price.

Bertha Lee, b, April 16, 1916; m, 1939, to James D. Boyd, three daughters.

(1) Beverly Ann, b 1940; m Jack Veal, 3 sons, Rickey, Jeffery, Stephen.

(2) Cynthia Lee, b, 1942; m --Abercrombee, 1 dau Rabin, 1 son Robert.

(3) Alice Elizabeth, b 1946; m Tom Beal, 1 dau Lisa, 1 son Todd.

Three sons, (1) Richard Wayne, b 1948; m Vicky Story.

(2)-Larry Joe, b, 1950; m Juannita Jordan.

(3)-Edward Terry b, 1953, m Billie Chambers.

Children and grand children of Argent and Alvin Milford.

(1)-Myron Milford, m Juanita McWharters; one son Calvin.

(2)-Willard Milford, m John Lehner; two dau-Mary Eleanor and Myra.

(3)-Tom L. Milford, m Virginia O'Neal; one son Tommy.

(4)-Eleanor Milford, m Vin Mead; one dau Sylvia.

Children of Pura Cover Milford and Lewis H. Wright.

(1)-Alfred Lewis Wright, b, 1915; m Evelyn Crenshaw, 1, son Alfred Lewis Jr. one dau, Glynn, m Richard Hoffman; 1, dau, Melanie Glynn.

(2)-Frances Wright, b, 1918; d, 1920, bur, Oakwood Cemetery, Lanett.

(3)-Alice Wright, b, 1921; m George B. Culpepper ~~III~~, 3, sons, 1, dau.

1-G. Bryant, 2-Lewis Caughly, 3-Wright Adams, 4, Michele Elaine.

Children of Tula Milford and I. D. Jones.

(1)-Owen Milford Jones, b Dec. 7, 1922, d, Dec, 10, 1922.

Buried Oakwood Cemetery, Lanett, Alabama

(2)-Billy Reed Jones, m Josephine Josey.

S T A R S F E L L O N A L A B A M A

The new comers into Alabama at this particular era, had a stabilizing affect upon the society of the community for moral and spiritual good, that will not soon be forgotten.

To the best of our knowledge, Margarette Milford Beaty was the first Milford, to set foot on Alabama soil in the early 1830s, as the wife of James A. Beaty, and dau of John Milford Sr. both from Newberry County S.C., where they were married before coming Ala., and settling near LaFayette, soon after the first lots were sold in that city, in the Buffalo Community. Their first home still stands, as shown elsewhere in this Supplementary report. The exact location is one mile south of Lebanon Presbyterian Church, and is a replica of the one built by his brother-in-law Phillip Phagan Milford, one year later, one mile north of Lebanon Presbyterian Church. Also in that same year Miss Mary McCarley with her father, David McCarley Sr. from the same County in S.C. came to Ala. bought land between the Beatys and Milfords, by the Church where a deep well was dug, and was the source of water supply for the church some 150 years. Later McCarley built a large stone and mortar building that also still stands. John Beaty, the elder son of James A. Beaty, and Margarette Milford, Beaty was elected Elder in the Lebanon Pres. Church in 1857, and served faithfully, until his death in 1875, at the age of 66, his brother Reben Beaty, took over his work, as Pres. of the church for many years and was the father of a large family, as recorded in this report.

The Milfords, Beatys and McCarleys were of Scottish descent, and brought with them to this country their Scottish accent, which they eventually lost, as the generations became more Americanised. They became Charter Members of the Lebanon Church, where a one room public school was already under construction on a four acre lot by an early survey. For the next twenty years from 1840 to 1860, the Milfords were happily occupied in watching a well blessed family grow up to maturity; all were normal except Rufus, who was a mute, later this proved to be a blessing to the family. He was sent to a Talladega Institute where he not only learned the sign language, but won a wife with the same handicap. When he returned, he taught the entire family to use the sign language; Something very few families in that day were able to do.

An amusing incident happened during the last years of the Civil War. Regular Army scouts were sent throughout the country seeking out every available man or boy that was able to carry a gun. One day a hardbilled recruiting Sargent came prancing his horse up to the Milfords front door and called for the man of the house, as he saw Uncle Rufus coming out of the field and onto the yard. He yelled with some rough language that Grandmother had never heard before, "Theres a boy who ought to be in service!", Climbing down from his saddle, he neared Uncle Rufus, followed by Grandmother Milford with tears in her eyes, who began making signs to Rufus, and he began making signs back to her; The officer soon saw his mute condition, and hurried back to his horse, spurred him off rapidly, and left mad as a wet hen.

One of Uncle Rufus' many duties during the Civil War was to keep out of view a well stocked smokehouse, the grainery, where wheat was stored for the making of graham flour, and to see that the four well bred and well fed horses were carefully hidden deep in the swamp behind heavy cane breaks, for often the Yankees sent out raiding parties, or foragers, to round up supplies for the needs of their army. The Milfords were fortunate that this never did happen to them.

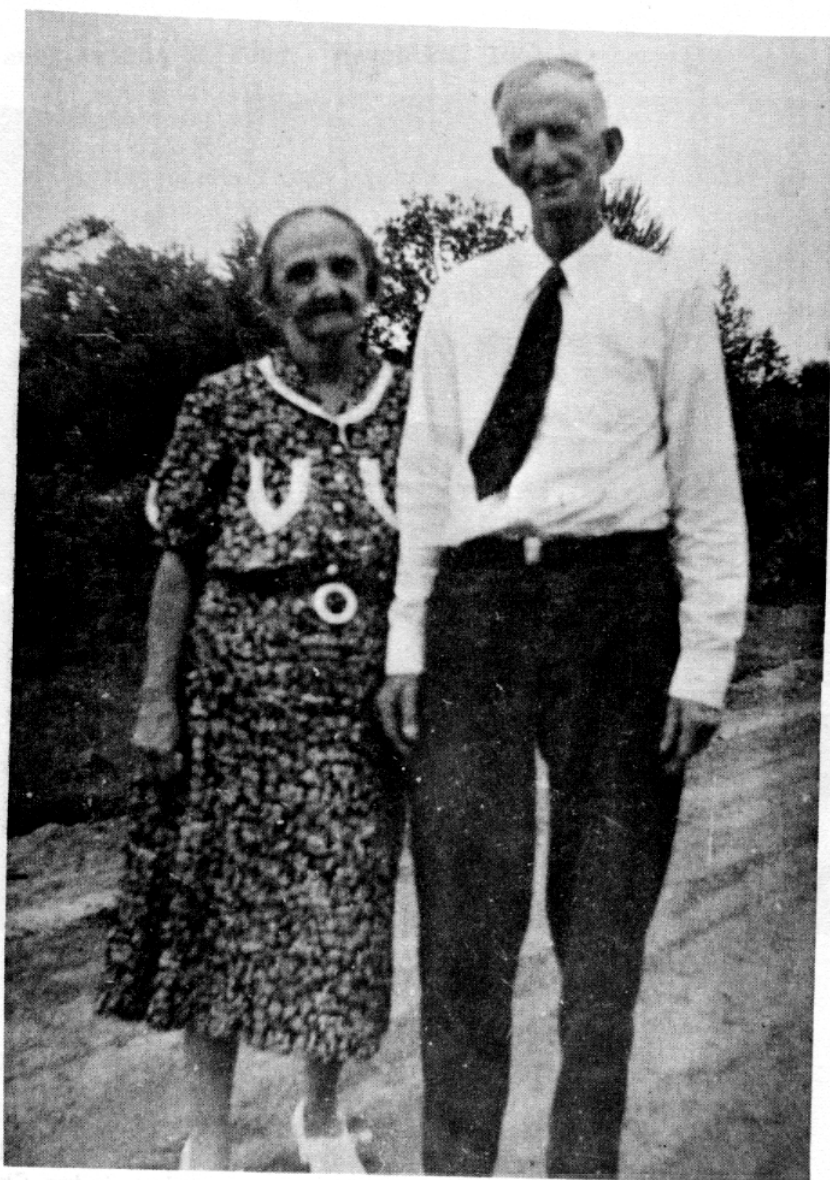
I feel that since the Milfords and Phagans had five sons in the Revolutionary War, and the Phagans a couple of nephews, they were Providentially spared from many of the hardships of the Civil War. To explain their good fortune further, their first two older children were girls, the next and oldest son, a mute, and of course not eligible for military duty, but capable of doing any type of work that needed to be done on a well managed farm. The younger boys were made regular plow hands at the age of ten. Furthermore, they were one among few families who operated a silkworm project, importing mulberry trees for their feed and care. My mother, the youngest daughter of the family, owned a gold medal, one of three awarded to the Milford family for fine silk exhibits at Montgomery, Ala. The medal itself was as large as a man's watch and I still have in my possession a large skein of pure silk as bright as if it was woven only yesterday, and as strong as ever. It was run off the spinning wheels of the Milford family.

The first wedding took place in the Milford family in 1861, when Laura Awilda, their oldest daughter married William F. Abernathy on November 28. The ceremony was performed by Daniel Coggins, Justice of the Peace at the home of Phillip P. Milford, her father. This was the first year of the Civil War and you can imagine the interest and emotions this occasion brought about with the groom a tall, straight and handsome six foot two, already in a Gray uniform, ready to do his duty for the Southern cause. He served for four years with several close calls; one of which he loved to tell about having his life spared as he stumbled over a bamboo brier, and a flying bullet just missed his head, leaving a scar where the hair never grew back. He was honorably discharged and lived to a ripe old age of 91. The Abernathy records appear on the following page.

Several other marriages were discovered in the family while researching. Awilda's sister, Melissa Milford, was married to Mr. Henry Tackett on November 2, 1965, by Henry M. Lord, Justice of the Peace, and LaFayette M. Sharpe and Mattie J. Ware were married on August 4, 1964, by William Graves, Justice of the Peace.

Uncle Rufus Milford and his wife, both mutes had three children.

- No. 1 -- Linnie Milford married Jim Yeargan. Issue: R. C. & Leona Yeargan
- No. 2.-- Betty Milford married Zee Mathews. Issue: P.M. Mathews, Columbus, Ga.
- No. 3 -- John Milford of Texas. Betty Milford m Rev. Zee Mathews a Baptist Minister of Columbus Ga. where they moved to soon after marriage, Issue, Rufus and Irene, Rufus is a retired Post Master of Columbus Ga. Betty was buried in Columbus Ga. No further info.



Brother and sister, John and Betty Milford, whose father was Rufus Milford, a mute son of Phillip Phagan Milford, 1804-1880.

John moved to California early in life, but was in Alabama for the Milford Reunion in the 30s. There has been a John in the family since 1776.

Betty married Zee Mathews and moved to Columbus, Georgia, soon after 1900. One of her sons was named for her father, Rufus, and is now a retired Postmaster in Columbus. Betty was rated as an angel on earth when we, as small boys, loaded the wagon with hay for Grandma's house. She never failed to set us down to ham and red-eye gravy. Thanks yet, Betty.

Four of their ancestors were in the Revolutionary War; John, Thomas, William and Henry, all sons of Robert Milford, who came to America just in time for the war. They were from Ireland, but were of Scottish descent.



The Home of Uncle William Abernathy and Aunt Awilda, with Minnie & Allie

Their two sons and four daughters were as follows:

1. John Rufus Beaty Abernathy: A Presbyterian Elder, Probate Clerk of Chambers County for twelve years under Judge Charles E. Fuller.
2. Samuel Franklin Davis Abernathy: 1 son Frank, 1 daughter, Mary.
3. Minnie Margaret Lovella Abernathy: 1 son, Earl.
4. Laura Alabama Flora Etta Abernathy: unmarried
5. Vanama Beauna Vista Abernathy: unmarried
6. Martha Ola Vodella Abernathy: 1 son, Reilly m Hassie Dunn.

Mr. and Mrs. Reilly House, a great grandson of the late Phillip P. Milford have bought the W. F. Abernathy home place and made great changes throughout the home, modernizing the kitchen and dining room. The large grassy lawn extends all the way out to U. S. Highway 431; the orchard and other parts of the yard are well land-scaped. A two-acre lake above the home adds much to the recreational value of the farm. The farm itself occupies the dividing ridge or head waters of the Hoothalocco Creek, named by the Creek Indians. Other whistle stops along its route are Pidgeon Roost, Gambles Bridge, Allens Mill and Ripville at Pinkards Park, taking a swipe at Tillers Cross Roads before plunging into the Tallapoosa River near Horseshoe Bend.

By Laura Awilda Milford March 24, 1861

I think of thee beloved on,

 When day beams first arise,
Then out the ocean's deepest cells,
 To gladden the brightest skies;
And when the soft and mellow light,
 So gently slowly furled,
Beneath the dark wrays of night,
 And hidden from their world.

Ah, then when starry camps are lit,
 Upon the walks above;
My dreams are all of thee, and I
 Can think but of thy love;
I think of thee beloved one,
 When golden zepthers play,
Upon the mirrored riverlet,
 Then vanish night away.

And when the birds at close of eve,
 Seek out each one its nest,
To find with its close retreat
 A spot of valued rest.
Ah, then when songs of praise arise
 To Him who rules above;
My every thought is but of thee,
 My first and only love.



Aunt Awilda Milford Abernathy
Wife of William F. Abernathy

The Family Record of a wonderful Grant Uncle and Great Aunt of Ours

James A. Beaty: b Dec. 23, 1782, m - d -

Margaret Milford Beaty: b Oct. 9, 1785 m - d Aug. 8, 1876

Issue:

1. John Beaty: b Aug. 22, 1809: d Nov. 12, 1875
2. Sara M. Beaty: b 1814; d 1876
3. Nancy Beaty: b 1821; d 1909
4. Frank Beaty: b - m - d -
5. Robert (Robin) Beaty: b April 3, 1827, d Feb. 24, 1914

Robert (Robin) Beaty married Margaret Frazer b 1817 d 1899

Issue:

1. Will Beaty: b - d -
2. Sara Francis (Sallie) Beaty: b Oct. 10, 1871, d June 28, 1962
3. James Alex Beaty: b Sept. 11, 1873, d Sept. 19, 1958
4. John L. Beaty: b July 25, 1879, d Dec. 20, 1963
5. Robert Allen Beaty: b Dec. 2, 1884, d Nov. 11, 1963
6. George Henry Beaty: b Oct. 23, 1887; d June 8, 1970

The photo on the opposite page was the home of the Beaty family for three generations. It was built in 1840, located one mile south of the Lebanon Presbyterian Church, in Chambers County, Alabama, and was a replica of the Phillip Phagan Milford and Mary McCarley Milford home, built in the same year 1840, just one mile north of the Lebanon Church. This development brought about the removal of the Lebanon Church from the Sweet Home area a few miles to the east, to the present location, since the McCarleys, Beatys and Milfords made up the larger portion of the charter membership of the Lebanon Presbyterian Church. One of the Elders elected was Robert Wardlaw, another new-comer to Alabama at this first called meeting in the year 1843.

Identity of those in photograph following next page:

Front Row: Left to right. Stanton Farr, Martha Ann Farr, Carolyn *Sims*
Grace Redman, Talmadge Redman, Anna Joe Sims, William
Milford, Joe Milford, Jack Milford

Second Row: Left to right. Zack Redman, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Farr,
Herman Milford, Walter V. Milford, Mrs. Claude Milford,
Claude Milford, Mrs. Lewis Milford, Lewis Milford.

Third Row: Left to right. Baby Jimmie Sims, Aubry Sims, Mrs.
Aubry Sims, Mrs. Sam Milford, Sam Milford, Mr. and
Mrs. Herbert Milford.

Back Row: Left to right. Mr. and Mrs. Pervin Redman, Rev.
Charles W. Milford, Baby son Charles W. Milford
Mrs. Charles W. Milford.



The Beaty's home for three generations.

My father, James (Jim) Monroe Sharpe spent 10 years of his boyhood life working on this farm for his Uncle John Beaty after his father William Henry Sharpe died in the Civil War in 1863. He was paid one peck of meal per week for his work which he brought home to his mother and 5 children younger than he was at age 9. He returned home in 1873 at the age of 19 to begin work on his mother's farm, which he bought from them after they moved to Texas in 1880. J. Cal Sharpe

Dear Co-op Members:

Here it is February already and the yellow bulb flowers will be adding gay colors to the red cherries and red, white, and blue flags on Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays.

A few people born February 29, will have birthdays this year so let's don't forget them. Our birthdays are our very own special day and its nice to be remembered.

AMERICAN HISTORY

In honor of this being American history month we bring you a picture of one of the landmarks around here--the "Old Beaty Home" near Buffalo--(Buffalo-- formerly called "Buffalo Wallow") is a village a few miles northeast of Lafayette.

The home is owned by Mr. George Beaty who now lives in Lafayette, where he and

his family grew up was built by his grandfather, James Beaty, probably in the 1840's.

The house and farm is on one of the oldest roads in the county which Mr. George Beaty says was called the "Old Tanbark" road and was marked or blazed by Mr. Mordecai, a Jewish trader with the Indians when he was leading General Floyd on his march from Georgia to Horseshoe Bend. General Floyd was coming to help General Andrew Jackson against the Indians.

INDIANS COMING

An amusing story handed down by early settlers is that when there was a scare about an Indian attack around LaFayette, the Beatys hitched up the wagon to hurry off to Georgia so fast they nearly forgot one of the girls busy churning on the porch. "So they picked her up, churn and all and

in her excitement she kept on churning. When they reached West Point, the butter had come!

Mr. George Beaty says this is a true story though at this time the family lived west of Lafayette.

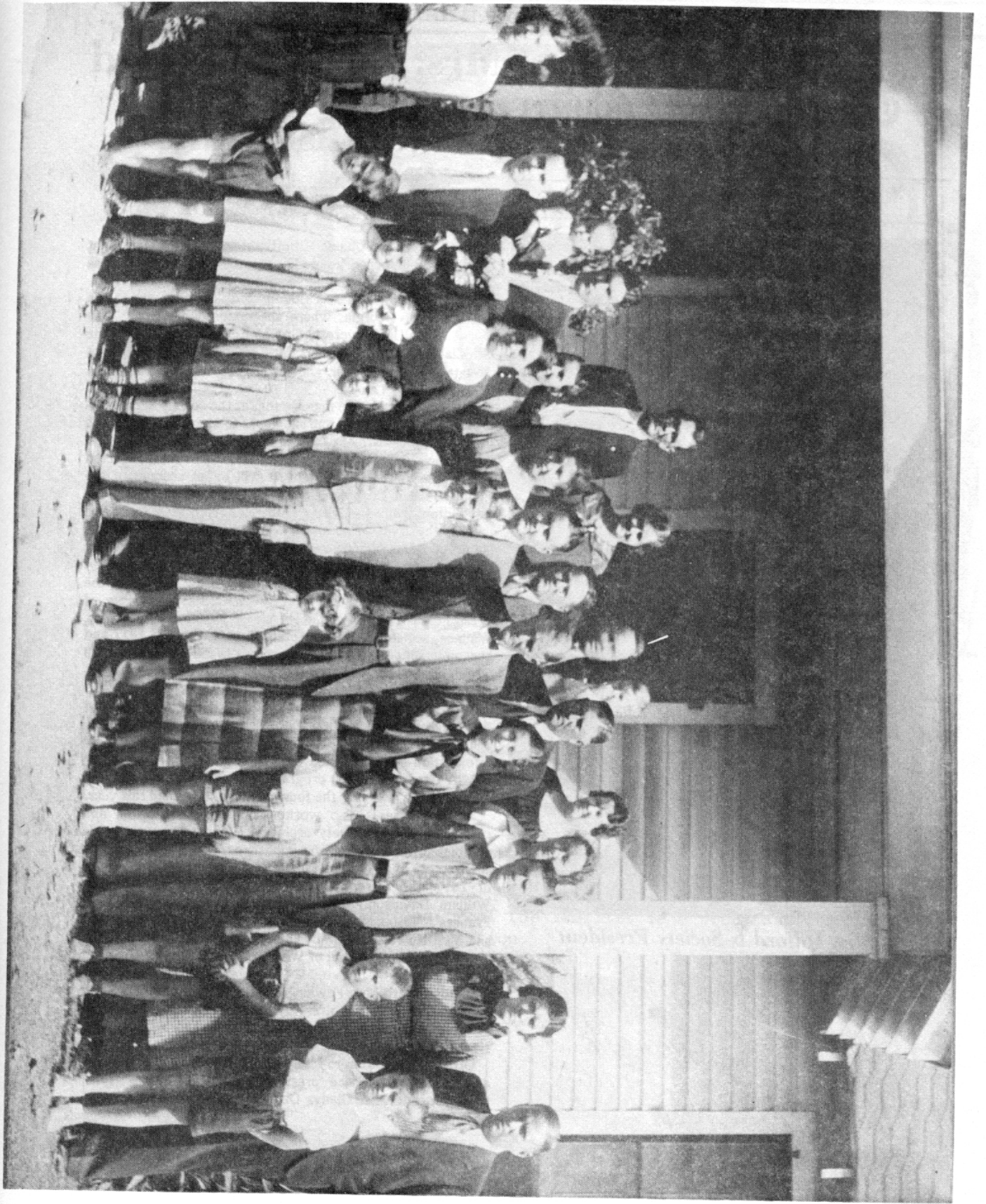
TRIBUTE

And so in honor of our fine American heritage we pay tribute to those strong people of yesterday and our fine youth of today who help to contribute so much to our happiness.

FFA

This is also National FFA month and we salute them and their leaders for their good work.

Don't forget Valentine's Day, February 14, with the red heart the symbol of friendship.



—The Columbus Enquirer

Ledger-Enquirer East Alabama TODAY

Thursday Morning, Feb. 6, 1975

Mrs. Claude Milford Leads Historians

By VIRGINIA SMITH
TODAY Correspondent



Mrs. Milford Is Society President

LANETT — Mrs. Claude Milford of Lanett, named president of the Chattahoochee Valley Historical Society for 1975, has long been an active member in the organization.

She was born in Harris County and is a graduate of the University of Georgia, where she majored in history. She taught school in Waycross, Ga., before her marriage to the late Claude Milford of Lanett. Mrs. Milford is the daughter of the late J. Arthur Parker, and her mother, Mrs. Lurline Davis Parker, lives in Lanett.

Mrs. Milford said the membership of the society is now approaching the 200 mark and she hopes to increase this total as the society begins plans for the Bicentennial year.

The society will publish its twelfth book this year, expected for release in December 1975. It will be an account of the Chattahoochee Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, which included membership from West Point and Lanett, the Henry Chambers Chapter of LaFayette, and a listing of Revolutionary soldiers buried in the two counties, Chambers and Troup.

William Davidson is editing the book, using records of the Chattahoochee Chapter loaned by Mrs. John C. Barrow of West Point. The records were saved by her mother, Mrs. Wallace, a member. The chapter was organized in 1917 and became inactive in 1933. Davidson has found the names of 29 Revolutionary soldiers from the area and is compiling an account of their lives and military services and burials.

Mrs. Milford said that postcards mailed to all members of the society asking for any information on a Revolutionary soldier in the family has had a good response and much new information has been uncovered through this method.

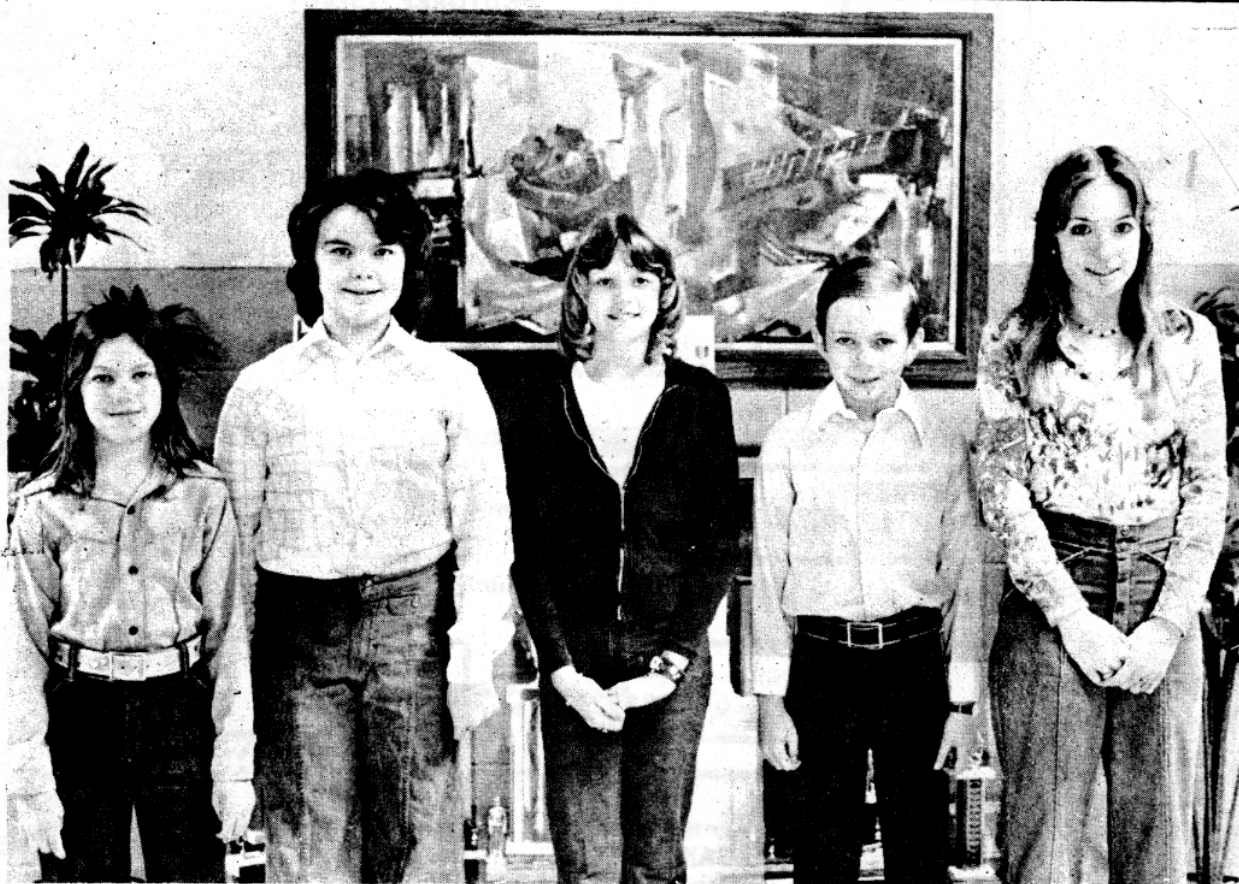
Mrs. Grady Fowler is program chairman for 1975 and will announce the plans for the four meetings to be held this year.

A committee is also working on the classification and cataloging of the society archives. When this inventory is completed, this also will be published.

Directors of the society are Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Blanton of LaFayette, Mrs. Louise Brown, Miss Lillian Cumbee, William Davidson, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Heard, Miss Lura Frances Johnson, Mrs. J. Walter Jones, Mrs. Roy Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Siler, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Tillery Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Young, all of West Point, and Mrs. Hugh Smith of Langdale.

In addition to Mrs. Fowler, Mrs. John Higgenbotham Sr. is chairman of publicity; Mrs. Roy Stewart, registration; Davidson, publications; Mrs. Brown, hospitality; and Mr. and Mrs. Heard, special events.

Officers in addition to Mrs. Milford are Mrs. Grady Fowler and Robert Gay, vice presidents; Miss Katherine Hyde, treasurer; and Miss Gladys Ozley, secretary.

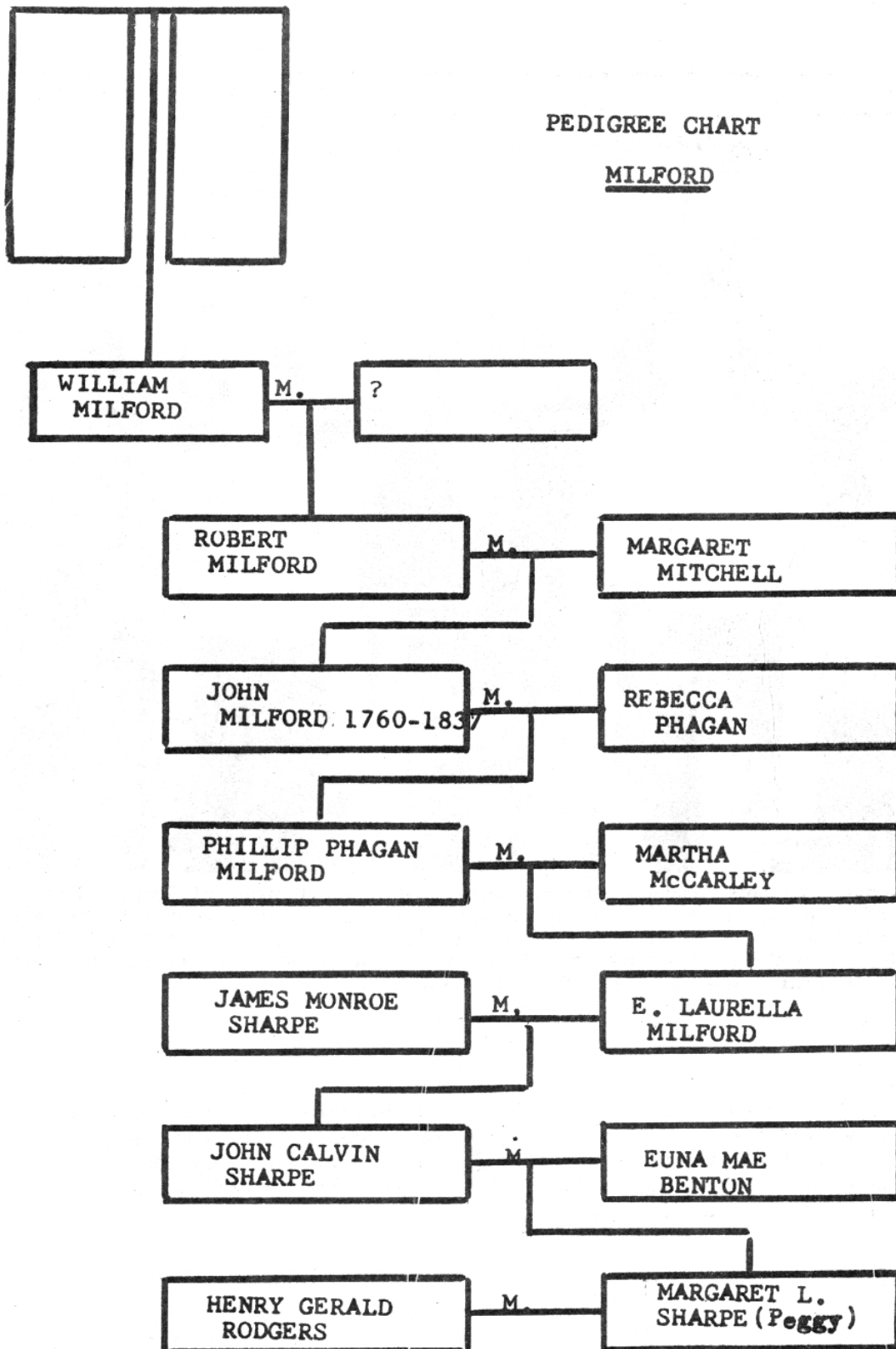


These five Chambers Academy students participated in the District VI Spelling Bee held at Springwood Academy recently. Each student had to win an in school contest before attending the District. They are, l. r., Julianne Slaughter, 4th Grade; Kayron Spence, 5th Grade; Lisa Allen 6th Grade; Calvin Milford, 7th Grade and Stanley Jones, 8th Grade. Kayron was the 5th Grade winner at the District and Calvin was first runner-up in the 7th Grade.

Calvin Milford and Kayron Spence in the above photograph are entitled to membership in The S.A.R. and D.A.R. They are descendants of the Sharpe and Milford families, which were both represented by participation in the Revolutionary War. The continuity of the families is a proud and comforting reason for such an organization.

PEDIGREE CHART

MILFORD



Office of the Opelika & Oxford Rail Road Company.

\$ 15.⁰⁰

Received of *Phillip P. Mifford* fifteen Dollars,
being *fifteen* per cent. of *one* share of stock in the Opelika and Oxford Rail Road
Company, the same bearing interest at eight per cent., payable in stock.

Casper Harris Treasurer.

This *26th* day of *October* 186*0*

Office of the Opelika and Oxford Rail Road Company.

\$ 15.⁰⁰

Received of *John Beatz* fifteen Dollars,
being *fifteen* per cent. of *one* share of stock in the Opelika and Oxford Rail Road
Company, the same bearing interest at eight per cent., payable in stock.

By Cash
J. C. G. Richard Treasurer.
This *4th* day of *March* 186*1*

Office of the Opelika and Oxford Rail Road Company.

\$ 5.⁰⁰

Received of *John Beatz* five Dollars,
being *five* per cent. of *one* share of stock in the Opelika and Oxford Rail Road
Company, the same bearing interest at eight per cent., payable in stock.

J. S. Murphy Treasurer.
This *2nd* day of *April* 186*0*

He believes that he is a ^{highly} ^{valued} man on this - he has no discharge nor any compensation for his services - he has no other property what is his will submitted - sworn to & subscribed this 7th day of March on this, and eight hundred & thirty three John Milford ✓

do Open Court

Paul A. Lawton

C.C.

We William Hughes and James Thompson

residing in the state & district aforesaid hereby certify that we are well acquainted with John Milford who has subscribed & sworn to the above declaration, we believe him to be of the age he has stated - he is reported & believed to have been a soldier of the revolution (in the neighborhood in which he resides) and we con-
concur in that opinion - sworn to &
subscribed in open court day & year aforesaid.

Paul A. Lawton
C.C.

William Hughes
James Thompson

Milford, John

Milford, John
C.C. 821885 ✓

No. 46

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

I John Beatty of the
County of Chambers State of Alabama do sol-
emnly swear or affirm, in presence of Almighty God, that I will henceforth faithfully support,
protect and defend the Constitution of the United States, and the Union of the States there-
under; and that I will, in like manner, abide by and faithfully support all laws and proclama-
tions which have been made during the existing Rebellion with reference to the emancipation
of slaves: So help me God.

Subscribed and Sworn to before me at Chambers

this 22nd day of August 1865.

E. D. Johnson Capt.
2nd McBarr. Special Commissioner for Amnesty Cash

The above named has Florida

complexion Dark hair, and Blue eyes; and is 5 feet 10 inches high.



\$ 2.00

Received of W. F. Shumathy

Five & 25/100 (Dollars as

his to pay first annual interest on Chambers County Subscrip-
tion to the BUFAULA, OPELIKA, OXFORD & GUNTERSVILLE R. R.
for 1874.

B. L. L. L. TAX COLLECTOR

Lavonia, Georgia
March 6, 1918

Col. John C. Sharpe
Camp Gordon
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Cousin,

Now don't get frightened to death at my appearance, but I know you have heard for years about that notorious Cousin Myrtle Miller. Yes, it's me and do I look natural?

Well, how are you enjoying camp life? I didn't know you were in training until a few weeks ago, and Cousin Laura wrote me about it and sent me your address. I have a first cousin at Camp Wheeler at Macon, Georgia, and another first cousin in Paris, France, and they both like fine. I have heard of, or rather read so many letters from your Aunt Laura and her girls about all of you kin people until it seems almost like I have seen you. I never did want to visit a place so bad as I do Buffalo, Ala. and all those other places where you folks live, and I may be coming up some time yet. Mama has been very sick since the 21st of February, but I am real glad I can say that she is already improving. There are only four of us children at home now. Daisy teaches school out there near Dunwoody, Georgia, and I know she doesn't know you are so near. I'll tell her in my next letter. She came home a few days last week while Mama was sick.

Lillie is bookkeeping for the Mercantile Company at Air Lines, Georgia. She spent the day here Sunday, and said she was going to get your address and write you, but I don't know whether she did or not. I have two more sisters at home; Rosa Belle and Claris Belle. Claris Belle is only nine years old and in the 9th grade, doing splendid work, and sure beats the Jews writing. She is sitting over here now writing a letter to her cousin at Camp Wheeler.

I just have two brothers, Eskes and Milford. Eskes is married and Milford is thirteen years old and I wouldn't begin to mention my own age. Ha! Ha! Would you like to have a description of my looks? I'll say I look something like this. I am five feet and five inches tall, weight 133 pounds, have fiery brown eyes, black hair, complexion same thing on the order of a dried up blackberry, and uncommonly big feet. Now don't you think I'm a beauty! My mouth has a great inclination to fly backward and that's not much of a job, and if you don't believe it, come and see for yourself. We would be so glad to have you run out for a visit. You can leave there on No. 12 and get here at noon, or leave on some of the afternoon trains and get here at seven P.M. and leave here either on the 9 A.M. train or 3:30 train. We only live eighteen miles from Toccoa, Ga. and that's the only place you would have to change cars.

If you will come, I will get all my pieces up about the Milfords and tell you a whole lots of things you sure ought to know about them, especially D. Lee W. Milford. He is a fine little fellow and you would sure like him. He is taking a year's course at the St. John's Hospital in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The last I heard he was expecting to be called into the Army.

I'm sure glad to see this beautiful Spring weather; the trees are beginning to look like new life, and we have several fruit trees in full bloom. I don't suppose you are up on crocheting, knitting or embroidering, so I won't try to tell you about my fancy work department, but this much I will say; I first have loads of sewing to do and then a lot of other things I must do this week.

This entire family joins in sending their best wishes and love, and I am hoping you are out of the hospital by now. I tried staying in the hospital once for two weeks and liked it fine. Folks said I looked like I had been boarding at a hotel when I got back. Quite complimentary to folks feeling sick, isn't it.

I hope this won't upset you so bad, but what you will be able to write me real soon..

From,
Your Cousin Myrtle Miller

This is a letter written in 1918, from Cousin Myrtle Miller to John Calvin Sharpe. It was answered 55 years later by JCS, and her answer follows. Believe it or not, one week later this time!

Lavonia, Georgia
January 7, 1973

Dear Cousin John Sharpe,

Wonders will never cease! I am surprised and delighted to have your letter; do hope you are well, and not had this Flu going about. My sister Lillie and I live alone at the old home place. We have both had, and still not too well, of Flu. We really had a time.

I gather from your letter you are writing a book on the Milford side of the house. If you can bring a tablet and pencil over to Georgia, I'll be glad to lend a hand. I have a chart of the Milfords when they came to this country, and on down to within the last few years.

I wish you could see and know C. Patrick Milford of Carnesville, Ga. He is very much interested in the Milfords, and has been writing a book on the Milfords, keeping up with the later generations. Since I have gotten old and bent, I have let my interest lag. Have you a family? I have all of the names of you boys. I happen to know that you were single when you went overseas.

I want to say again we would be so glad for you to come visit us, and I think I can give you some information you do not have. Since my letter of 1918, I have married, and have been a widow since February, 1950. I will appreciate hearing from you again and any time I can help you with the Milford Family tree, I'll be glad to do so.

With best wishes to you and yours for 1973.

From,
Your Cousin Myrtle Miller Wilson

The State of South Carolina
Anderson District

On this fourth day of March 1833
appeared in open Court before the Judge of the
Court of Sessions & Common Pleas of said State
for said District now in Session John Milford ✓
of the State & District aforesaid who being duly
sworn according to Law, doth on oath make
the following declaration in order to obtain
the benefit of the act of Congress passed
June 7th 1832.

Ireland
This Defendant was born in Ireland. He
has no recollection of his age - but thinks he was
born in 1760. Came to this County (Anderson)
~~when he was young. He was 10 first in 1780 in the~~
entered the Service as a Volunteer in Capt. Jones
Company ^{under} Col. ^{James} Pickens ~~there~~
in on the Counting and Guarding the jail at
95. He attached himself to Col. Pickens in the
Cavalry - as a private. Went on an expedi-
tion to Georgia to take a fort which was evacu-
ated before they arrived - a third in on the
Tomb. He was drafted to go on with Gen. Greene
while in Scotland to the relief of South Carolina
served in the army in 1780. He served
in the town in 1781. ^{of the army} he was present at Cowpens
fought on Catawba River the day that Lord
Cornwallis crossed the river.



South Carolina 16.95
 27. April 1837 - Com Agents
 John Milford
 of the State of S.C.
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 by Express of the weight
 by C. L. Perkins in the S.C.
 done for 1/2 lb.
 Inscribed on the Roll of S.C. as the rate of 1/2 lb. Dollars - 1/2 lb. per once
 to commence on the 1st day of March, 1838.
 Receipts of Pension for the 1st day of Feb. 1838
 and for the 1st day of Feb. 1838
 William Perkins
 Amount to the Roll of Feb. 1838 1/2 lb.
 Pension, allowance ending 1/2 lb. 1/2 lb.
 1/2 lb.
 { Should pay them }
 { the 7. 1838 }
 Recorded by a 1/2 lb. Clerk
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Done to Ga. Wm Stewart p. 189 - Part II no. 20
 1820 Census of Bainnett Co. Ga.
 Robert Milford 200001 - 20010-0
 Henry, John, Robert, Thomas & William Milford
 were living in Abbeville Dist. S.C. in 1790, and by
 1800 some of the family had moved to Pendleton
 Dist. (See Revolutionary pension papers of John,
 S.C., S. 21885; Thomas, N.C., S.C. & in Ireland,
 S. 21375;
 & William S.C., Grizzella, W 8277; BLWT
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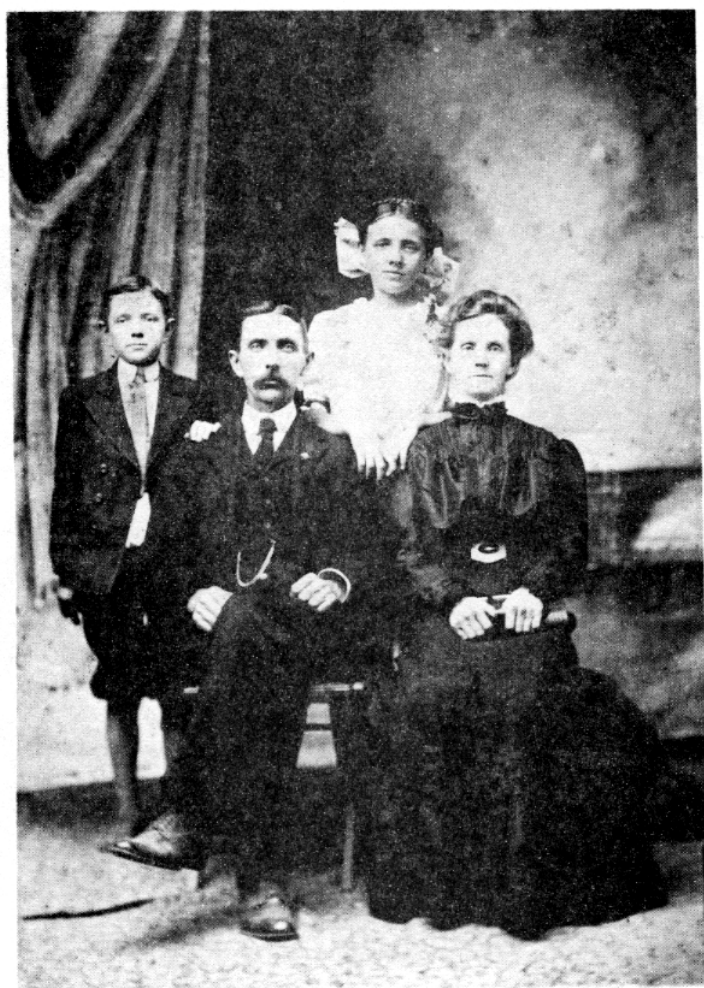


John Rufus Beaty Abernathy, And Wife Mamie Abernathy, Grand Son
of Phillip Phagan Milford, Probate Clerk of Chambers County Ala.
under Judge Charles E. Fuller for Twelve Years

T O G R A N M A S A N D R E D E Y E D G R A V Y

My visits as a boy, to Grandma Milfords were limited, but well, and pleasantly remembered, since her death occurred in 1901, when I was only eight years old. She was my only living grandparent ever to see, and we honored her by naming all red eyed gravy "grandma gravy", of course all of the cooking had been turned over to her grand-daughter, Betty Milford, who was looked upon as nothing short of an Angel on earth, with her Scottish smile, and silver-toned charming voice, as she set the table with bright red wooden handled case knives and forks. After seating all the boys, and filling the plates with ham, red gravy and plenty of hot biscuits, she would signal Uncle Rufus to ask Gods blessing in his regular signing fashion. While waiting on everyone, she watched in amazement, and interest, of her youngest Aunt, Laur-ella Sharpes, accomplishment, of rearing ten normal boys, and no girls in just seventeen years.

Our visit to Grandmas, would not have been complete without a trip out to Uncle Rufus' pet squirrel cage. He always rewarded the squirrels with peanuts when they would come to the top of the cage, , circle and go back again. My mother said that she often went squirrelhunting with Uncle Rufus, and he was a very good marksman. Mothers task was to go to the opposite side of the tree, and shake a bush causing the squirrel to move around to the side of the tree, where Uncle Rufus could pick him off for another squirrel pie. When my mother was a young girl, she was fond of riding horse-back to church, she often spoke of just going sailing down the road on horse-back, her favorite riding horse was a roan, named Seelum. In the early days girls always rode side-saddle, on arriving at church it was customary for them to tie their horses to a swing limb, and most churches had mounting blocks under several trees, for mounting and dismounting.



Jim and Linnie Yeargan, Leona, and R. C. Son and Daughter
Linnie, daughter of Rufus Milford, about 1900.



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Group, gathering at John R. Frazer Home Place about 1894. in Chambers County, can identify only a few, No 1, J. Thomas Hollingworth, pastor of Lebanon Church, 25 Yrs. 2 and 3, Mr. and Mrs. John R. Frazer, No 4 William F. Abernathy, Civil War Vet. Others are Beatys, McCarleys and Milfords, J. R. B. Abernathy, boy on far right.

FOREWORD

On account of the briefness of this Supplementary Report, I will not attempt a detailed index of its contents, except to say, it is composed of additional information I have received through various reports in the form of letters from individuals and friends of the Sharpe and Milford families, since the publication of the Book, "On The Hills Of Home", by the Hester Printing Company of West Point, Georgia, in 1972.

The name of each contributor will be shown at the close of each letter or report. My heartfelt thanks and deepest appreciation go out to each one who has contributed in any way to the success of this work. It has indeed been a joy and pleasant task on my part.

And may the Great God of Heaven, Who created the Heavens and the earth, and everything that was created, created He it, continue to bless you and your home is our earnest prayer.

John Calvin Sharpe

John Calvin Sharpe Pens 'On the Hills of Home'



Sharpe writes family history

J. Cal Sharpe, with his trademark, the walking cane.

BH VIRGINIA SMITH

"He was architect of his future, a prosperous man and social in his manner."

This is a description of one Cyrus Sharpe who was born in 1797 and who lived to be 96 years of age. It also could well describe John Calvin Sharpe of White Plains, a descendant of Cyrus.

Cal Sharpe is named for the famous Presbyterian and he and his family, like their forebears, are staunch members of this church today.

Cal Sharpe is also an unusual man, who has educated himself, a process he says never stops. He was born on December 23, 1893 on the lands which have been in his family for four generations. All of his life he has collected artifacts of the area, researched family history, written thousands of letters to kinspeople in Alabama and other areas and even set up his own museum.

Now, the latest project is the publication of his own book "On the Hills of Home." The 130 page book with more than 75 photographs will be released on July 8 and 9, in time for the annual Sharpe Family Reunion, held at Sharpe's Lake in White Plains.

The writing of the book and collecting of family heritage began in 1960 and is divided into three sections. Section one is the Sharpe family history, section two is devoted to World War I and section three to his memoirs. The name of the book came from a weekly column Sharpe once wrote for the LaFayette Sun and seems to sum up what he has included in the book.

to Alabama and went to Randolph County, but again returned to the White Plains area.

His son, William Henry Sharpe, the second owner, was killed in the Civil War and the third owner, the father of Cal Sharpe, James Monroe Sharpe, was born on the family farm.

James Monroe Sharpe built two log cabins, one of which has been well preserved by his son, Calvin. It was built well, as it is in use almost daily in the summer, spring and fall, by church groups, young people and those seeking outdoor recreation.

James Monroe Sharpe was not only a good farmer, he also built and operated a grist mill and a cotton gin on Gin House Creek. The creek has two branches and the grist mill was built on one branch and the cotton gin on the other.

One ancestor was Samuel Sharpe who came to Jamestown, Virginia in 1619 and represented James City in the town councils.

Cal's father, who built the log cabin in 1870, looked to the future. He not only built the house, he also completed the smokehouse, corn crib and barn and had his garden planted before his marriage to Laura Ella Milford. Today, the pine and poplar logs stand strong and true and the careful notching of the logs denote the skill of the builder. Such fitting of logs and the notching is a lost art today which makes the old cabin even more important.

A book review by our favorite columnist, Virginia Smith, of the Columbus, Georgia, Ledger-Enquirer.

1. One Baron Von Sharff (which is Sharpe in English), a German, came from Normandy to Britain with William The Conqueror, and was made a Feudal Lord of the land division system of the Great Conqueror.
2. Robert Sharpe married Barbara Bacon of Islington, England in 1513. This is the first record of the English spelling of the name.
3. Samuel Sharpe sailed from England in 1606, was shipwrecked by a hurricane along the coast of Bermuda, in the ship "Sea Venture", was delayed, and landed in Virginia in 1607 at Jamestown. He was a member of the First Assembly of Virginia, representing James City in 1619.
4. Thomas E. Tobitha Sharpe came to New England as an assistant to the Massachusetts Bay Company in 1631, returning to England for other members of his family -- William Sharpe, his wife, Hannah, and three sons, John, William and Hugh. They made the trip over in the good ship "Samuel" and settled in Eversham Township of Burlington County, New Jersey in 1632.
5. John Henry Sharpe b 1661 m Elizabeth Paine, whose son
6. William Sharpe b 1689 m Mary Austin, whose son'
7. Hugh Sharpe b 1724 m #1 Sabillar, #2 Ann Stratton
8. George Black Sharpe b 1735 d 1815 m Mary Bailey
three sons: WILLIAM, DANIEL AND PETER (no data on Peter)
9. Thomas Sharpe b 1759 m 1778 Ruth Stratton
Served in the Revolutionary War
10. WILLIAM S. SHARPE b 1770 d 1845 m Judith Smith Issue: George, Jr. Martha, Gee or Jehu, William, Elizabeth, James, Eliza and Harriett
11. DANIEL SHARPE, brother of William, b 1772 d 1857 Wife - no record
Issue: Cyrus, Peter, William Henry, Daniel, Margaret, Anne, Mrs. Aylor
12. James Sharpe b 1753 m Elizabeth H. Royster b 1755
13. William Sharpe b 1780 m Margaret M. Willoughby b Sept. 23, 1784 - 1845
14. Cyrus Sharpe b 1797 d 1893 Architect of own fortune m Frances Ann Crawford, of Georgia Issue: Cyrus II, William Henry, Eliza, Frances Ann, Mary Irene, Emma, Louise, Julia and James B.
15. William Willoughby Sharpe, son of William and Margaret Willoughby
b 1801 d 1871 m Mary Ann Schoolfield b 1807 d 1875

Sharpe Lineage -- Page 2

16. Daniel Hiram Sharpe b 1811, d. 1894, m Charlotte Tucker b 1816 d 1892 Issue: William Henry, George W., Andrew Jackson, Thomas H., Mary Anne, Daniel B., James M. Westly, Rachel S., Hiram T., John R., Dewitt Clinton, Franklin Pierce, Charlotte V., Nancy A., Eliza, Marcellus, Louisiana, India Caroline, and another infant.
17. William Henry Sharpe b 1833 d in Civil War of typhoid fever Buried at Petersburg, Virginia in National Cemetery. m Mary Smith Issue: James Monroe, Mittie, Catherine, Beatrice, Henry
18. James Monroe Sharpe b Nov. 3, 1854, Chambers County, Alabama d. March 5, 1937. Buried at Lebanon Cemetery. m Laurella Milford b 1857 d 1938. Buried at Lebanon Cemetery. Issue:
19. Henry Milford, Ernest Chalmers, Webster Hershel, Andrew Jackson, Wilbur Durell, Rufus Bernard, James Otis, Jasper Wise, John Calvin, Melwyn Hervy.
20. The following names and numbers represent the ten names above.
1. Leila Mae Sharpe 2. Carlos Sharpe 3. William Sharpe
4. Andrew Vernon Sharpe 5. Clarence Sharpe 6. Alice Sharpe Atwell
7. James Milford Sharpe 8. Jasper Wise Sharpe
9. Peggy Sharpe Rodgers 10. Melwyn Hervy Sharpe
21. Billy Acker, Andy Sharpe, Bill and Buddy Fuller, Gary Sharpe, Larry Sharpe, Johnny Sharpe, Mary Anne Acker, Gerry Rodgers, Martha Jane Rodgers, Jim Rodgers, Judy Atwell, Freida White, Kenneth Sharpe, Alva Webb, Jr., Jimmy Sharpe, Ricky Sharpe, Miles Hervy Sharpe, Lynda Toney, Doug and Donnie Sharpe, Elaine Talley, Jeanne Hall, Donnie Lauderdale, Susan Mulkey, Harold Lauderdale, Rusty Smith, Bruce and Ralph McCarthy, Ronnie Sharpe, Celeste and Lori Sharpe, Judy Cassidy, Patsy Hall, Dale and Tommy Swain, Candy and Jill Binger, Bill and Laura Methvin and many others too numerous to mention
22. The twenty-second generation of the Sharpe Family has already begun, but for the present lack of data prevents the making of a complete report.

I don't believe I would be doing justice to our Great Grandmothers by closing this bit of information concerning the Sharpe family generations without making special mention of them for the very important part they played in the wellbeing and continuity of the family name for all the many years of the past.

We realize that there will be some missing links in this brief, but important list, which will make for more interesting work to be done by the younger generations of researchers.

First to be mentioned will be 1. Barbara Bacon of Islington, England, 1513. No. 2. was Hannah, who came over with her three sons, John, Thomas, and Hugh Sharpe from England. No. 3 was Elizabeth Paine. No. 4 - Mary Austin. No. 5 - Sabillar Stratton. No. 6 Anne Stratton. No. 7 Mary Baily. No. 8 - Ruth Stratton. No. 9 - Judith Smith. No. 10 - Martha Smith. No. 11 - Elizabeth Royster. No. 12 - Harriett Smith. No. 13 Eliza Smith. No. 14 - Margaret Anne Wakefield. No. 15 - Margaret H. Willoughby. No. 16 - Frances Ann Crowford, daughter of W. C. Crowford of Georgia. No. 17 - Mary Ann Schoolfield. No. 18 - Rachel Patterson. No. 19 - Charlotte Tucker, wife of Daniel H. Sharpe. No. 20 - Mary Ann Camp, Lou Yates, Eliza Davis, Victoria Griffin, all four daughters of Daniel H. Sharpe and Charlotte Tucker Sharpe.

The three Daniel Sharpes can best be identified by their middle name. Backing up on the Daniel Sharpe line to George Black Sharpe, we find No. 1 - Daniel Black Sharpe. No. 2 - Daniel William Sharpe. No. 3 - Daniel Hiram Sharpe, which sometimes confuses the researcher.

Data on the George Sharp line.

I. George Sharp and Mary Bailey

Children:

A. Daniel Black Sharp

Children:

a. Cyrus (1797-1893) married Frances Anne Crawford

Children:

1. Cyrus Henry (never married)
2. Eliza (1853-1871) (never married)
3. Frances Anne Bozeman
4. Mary Bukard
5. Irene Norman
6. Louise Anderson
7. Emma Perry
8. Julia
9. James B.

b. Peter W. and Martha M.

Children:

1. Mary J.
2. Sarah F. McClure
3. Martha A.

The above list was taken from the 1850 census.

Other children were W.C. Sharp and Margaret M. Blanton

c. Daniel Hiram and Charlotte Tucker Sharp

Children:

- | | |
|-------------------|------------------------|
| 1. William Henry | 10. John Robert |
| 2. George W. | 11. Dewitt Clinton |
| 3. Mary Ann | 12. Franklin Pierce |
| 4. Andrew Jackson | 13. Charlotte Victoria |
| 5. Daniel B. | 14. Eliza |
| 6. James M. | 15. Marcellus Daniel |
| 7. Wesley S. | 16. Louisiana |
| 8. Rachel S. | 17. India |
| 9. Hiram T. | 18. Unknown |

d. William Henry

Children:

1. William Henry
2. Mrs. R. D. Cheny (christian name unknown)

e. Mrs. Aylor (christian name unknown)

Children:

1. Mary

f. Margaret Price

g. Anne Floyd

B. William Sharp married Judith Smith

Children:

- a. George
- b. Martha
- c. Jehu Harris (great grandfather of Wm. H. Mathews of
Texarkansas, Texas whose letters are included)
- d. William
- e. Harriet Morgan
- f. Elizabeth Stone
- g. James
- h. Eliza Mathews

C. Peter (No data on this descendant of George and Mary Sharp)

The Sharps are thought to be of Scottish descent. The first American ancestor of this family was George Sharp, who on his way to this country, stopped Bermuda Islands, where he remained for some time, and then came on to Maryland, and settled in the eastern part of the province. He married Miss Mary Bailey, and three of their children are mentioned: DANIEL, WILLIAM, AND PETER(of whom there is no other mention).

DANIEL SHARP LINE

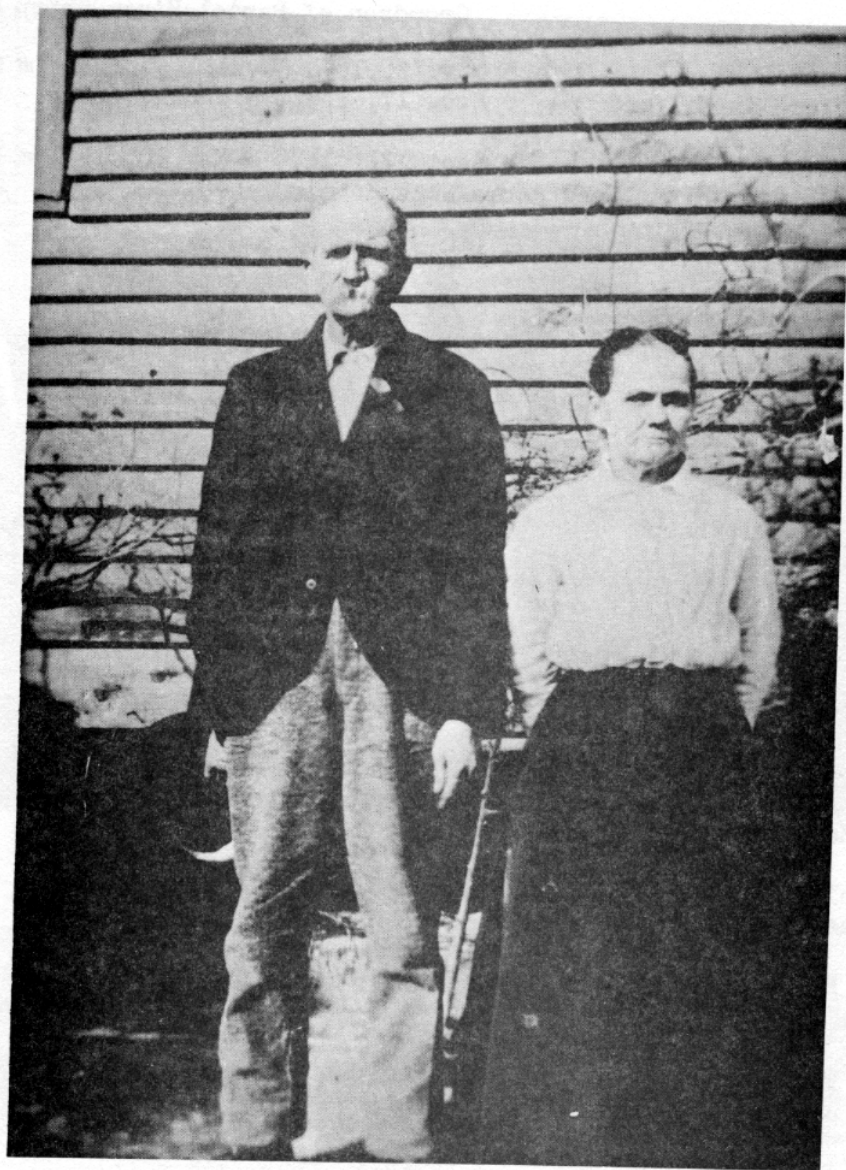
Daniel Sharp married -----; their children were Cyrus, Peter, Daniel, William Henry; Mrs. Aylor (christian name unknown) Margaret, and Ann. In 1823, Daniel Sharp moved to Baldwin County, Georgia. William Henry, the fourth child of Daniel Sharp, married----- and died in 1863, leaving a son and a daughter. The son is William Henry Sharp, who lives in Atlanta, Georgia (71 Whitehall St.) and is the manager of the Wheeler and Wilson Mfg. Co. He has a wife and grown son and daughter. His sister is Mrs. R. D. Cheney of Chattanooga, Tennessee. Mrs. Aylor, oldest daughter of Daniel Sharp, lived and died in Texas leaving one child, Mary, who was raised by Mrs. Aylor's sisters, Margaret and Ann. (Mary Aylor married a Mr. Harrison and moved to Florida fifty years ago, and has been dead many years). Margaret Sharp, second daughter of Daniel Sharp, married a Mr. Price and lived and died in Alabama. Ann Sharp, youngest child of Daniel Sharp, married a Mr. Floyd, and lived and died in Troupe County, Ga. Cyrus, born in 1797, died in 1893 at the age of 96. He ran away from his people in Maryland and settled in Ga. In the language of his son, James B. Sharp, "Cyrus, my father, was the architect of his own fortune. He became very prosperous. Social in his manner, his heart always warmed to the Tartan, though he had no knowledge of the stripe, shape or color of the plaid, nor of the clan." He married Frances Ann Crawford, who was of Scotch origin and could trace back to Bruce and Wallace (In the 13th century, Margaret, daughter of Sir Hugh Crawford of London, Scotland, married Sir Malcolm Wallace, and became the mother of Sir William Wallace, the Scotch patriot. The father of Frances Ann Crawford, David Crawford, was a prominent man in South Carolina. While he lived there, he was a brother of the famous William H. Crawford of Georgia. Frances Ann was born in South Carolina. The children of Cyrus and Frances Ann Sharp were Cyrus Henry, Eliza, Frances Ann, Mary, Irene, Louise, Emma, Julia and James B.

WILLIAM SHARP LINE

William Sharp married Miss Judith Smith and moved to Baldwin County, Ga. Among her ancestors were her mother, Mary Shockley, and her father, Daniel Smith. Other prominent names in her family were Olivia Lanier, who married a Mr. Upshur, from whom many fine Episcopalians have come. The children of Judith Smith Sharp and William Sharp were: George, Martha, Gee (Jehu), William, Harriett, Elizabeth, James and Eliza. Some years before his death, William Sharp moved to Meriwether County, Georgia. Harriett Sharp married a Mr. Morgan, and her daughter, Mary Ann married a Mr. Green Mozes. Elizabeth Sharp; married a Mr. Stone and her daughter married a Mr. Bartlett.

Boys, John, a representative for "Martin's hundred"
Buck, Reverend Richard -- officiating clergyman for the Assembly
Capp, William -- a representative for "Kiccowtan"
Davis, Thomas -- a representative for "Capt. John Martin's Plantation"
Gibbes, Lieutenant John -- a representative for Captain Warde's."
Gourgaring, Edward -- a representative for "Argall's giuffe,"
Graves, Captain Thomas -- a representative of "Smythe's hundred"
Jackson, John -- a representative for "Martin's hundred"
Jefferson, John -- a representative for "Flowerdieu's hundred"
Jordan, Samuel - a representative for "Charles City"
Lawne, Captain Christopher -- a representative for "Captain Lawne's Plantation"
Maycock, Samuel -- a counselor
Pawlett, Captain Thomas -- a representative for "Argall's giuffe"
Pierce, Thomas -- sergeant of the Assembly
Polentine, John -- a representative for "Citty of Henricus"
Pory, John -- speaker of the Assembly and counselor.
Powell, Captain and counselor
Powell, Captain William -- a representative for "James City"
Rolfe,, John, a counselor
Rosingham, Ensign Edmund -- a representative for "Flowerdieu's hundred"
Sharpe, Samuel -- a representative of "James City"
Shelly, Walter -- a representative for "Smythe's hundred"
Spense, Ensign William -- a representative for "James City"
Stacy, Robert -- a representative for "Captain Martin's Plantation"
Tucker, Captain William -- a representative for "Kiccowtan"
Twine, John -- a clerk of the Assembly
Warde, Captain John -- a representative for "Captaine Warde's Plantation"
Washer, Ensign -- a representative for "Captain Lawnes' Plantation"
West, Captain Francis -- a counselor
Yeardly, Sir George -- Governor and counselor

Note: Samuel Sharp settled in Virginia and was a member of the First Assembly in Virginia. He was on the "Sea Venture" which wrecked off the coast of Bermuda because of a hurricane. Samuel returned to England and then came back to New England in 1631.



JAMES MONROE SHARPE AND ELVINA LAURELLA MILFORD

Son of William Henry Sharp and Mary Smith

Father and Mother of the author, along with 9 other sons
Photograph taken around 1930

JAMES MONROE SHARPE FAMILY RECORD-- Son of William Henry Sharpe
Grandson of Daniel Hiram Sharp & Charlotte Tucker

1. James Monroe Sharpe b Nov. 3, 1854, d Mar. 5, 1937 m Nov. 22, 1877
Elvina Laurella Milford b Mar. 17, 1857, d March, 1938 " " "

- Henry Milford Sharpe b Sept. 21, 1878 d May 30, 1951 m Dec. 26, 1904
Leila P. Satterwhite , and Zola Glee Eshelman Dec. 23, 1919

- Ernest Chalmer Sharpe b May 13, 1880, d March 24, 1958 m Sept. 30, 1906
Mary Viola Waldren

- Webster Hershel Sharpe b Sept. 26, 1881, d March 1, 1963 m Dec. 26, 1910
Lucy Jones

- Andrew Jackson Sharpe b May 6, 1883, d Oct. 13, 1964, m June 24, 1908
Kathryn Elizabeth Wallace

- Wilbur Durrell Sharpe b Nov. 6, 1885, d May 25, 1967, m Dec. 28, 1910
Mary E. Bullock

- Rufus Bernard Sharpe b Nov. 7, 1887, d Feb. 6, 1956, m Dec. 13, 1913
Mary Clarke, 1st and Annie Lee Williford, 2nd Jan. 11, 1929

- James Otis Sharpe b June 6, 1889, d June 26, 1962, m Jan. 11, 1910
Fannie Mae Huckaby

- Jasper Wise Sharpe b Jan. 22, 1891, d. Aug. 25, 1963, m Dec. 14, 1913
Katie Mae Cox

- John Calvin Sharpe b Dec. 23, 1893 m ~~June 24, 1901~~
- Euna Mae Benton

- Melwyn Hervey Sharpe b. Nov. 8, 1895, d Nov. 25, 1971, m Jan. 10, 1915
Elloree Still

Age of 9 Sharpe boys at time of death

Henry	73 years, 8 months, 9 days
Ernest	77 years, 10 months, 11 days
Webster	81 years, 6 months, 5 days
Jack	81 years, 4 months, 7 days
Bill	81 years, 6 months, 19 days
Rufus	68 years, 2 months, 29 days
Otis	73 years, 28 days
Jasper	75 years, 7 months, 3 days
Melwyn	76 years, 17 days

John C. (author)

Ⓔ 83 years at time of this publication

Front
row -
Milford
EraMae
Laurada
Florence
Donald
Back row
Buferd
Albert
Ramond



James Otis Sharpe Family

Henry
Milford
Sharpe
dan
Leila
Mae



H O R S E A N D B U G G Y D A Y S

"Let's go for a ride. But first, get our picture." So said my oldest brother, Henry Milford Sharpe, to his two year old daughter, Leila Mae. Old faithful Kirk is standing on ready to go the moment he picks up the lines and says "Get up, Kirk."

These were the horse and buggy days and did the people and horses like it! We bragged that we could hitch up a horse on the darkest night when we couldn't see our hands before us. Farmers, for the most part, bought the all purpose horse; one that could pull a plow, a buggy, the syrup mill and also work as part of a team to the wagon.

My brother, Henry spent his entire life as a teacher in the public schools of Alabama. His career began in a little red one-room school house located at Cusseta, about ten miles south of LaFayette, Alabama, which he named Brookside. There he was the School Master, President, Secretary, Treasurer, Program Chairman and Physical Education Instructor. In addition to these duties, he also gave vocal instruction in his "spare time", as well as teaching the three Rs.

Being an elder in the Presbyterian Church, he was called on to lead many social activities and church work in the community. His work in the Masonic Order, led him to become a 33rd degree Mason and Shriner.

Henry Milford Sharpe was born on September 21, 1878, the eldest son of James Monroe Sharpe and Laura Ella Milford Sharpe. He attended grade school for the first two years at Chapel Hill, which was the community Post Office from 1874 to 1900. The school was under the supervision of Miss Etta Steed for several years. She held what was then known as "Exhibitions" at the end of each school year under a brush arbor on the east side of the school house. The area was lit by tallow candles. After carefully tying their horse and buggys, mules and wagons out of the way, family and friends gathered in a wide open yard to watch the students perform.

In 1886, a school was organized at White Plains and he attended there for about six years. His teachers were Ben Tysinger, Robert (Bob) Taylor, Walter Sprinks, Miss Pearl Gamble, Miss Edna Alsobrooks, Miss Annie Beard and Miss Irene McCarley.

In 1895, he enrolled in LaFayette, at the then LaFayette College and was graduated from there in 1897.

When Henry was teaching in Cusseta, he boarded with a Mr. Warren Morris, who owned a large plantation, and was developing a famous apple known far and wide as the Morris Apple. Henry walked five miles to and from the school each day and spent much of his spare time in Mr. Morris' orchard, budding and grafting fruit trees.

At the end of his first year of teaching, he had saved enough money to buy a new bicycle, which he rode home. It was the first ever owned by anyone in the family, and was the talk of the entire community. Each day someone learned to ride the new By-Shaw, as it was sometimes called.

Henry's next teaching assignment was in Crenshaw County, Alabama, at the Petrey School near Luverne, where he experienced something of a universal problem with school teachers; that of authority.

On his application for the job, he stated that he was a staunch believer in the "Spare the rode, spoil the child" theory. He was warned of the behavior of some of the boys in the upper classes, and the trustees even promised their support to the extent that they would be at his call down in the cellar of the school building, if needed.

The warning proved true, when on his first morning at the new school, six of the larger boys walked out into a small patch of woods and didn't come in when the bell was rung. Henry spotted them, rang the bell again, and when they didn't respond, decided that this was his problem and he would deal with it himself, before bringing the trustees in on it. Thinking that he would "speak softly, and carry a big stick", he picked up a hickory limb that he had cut for use as a pointer for blackboard work, and walked freely toward the group in the trees. As he approached, they began to get up, one by one, and move toward the back of the school house, out of his way. That is, all except the largest one, who evidently decided it was time for a showdown and held his ground. As Henry drew near, the big boy came at him with his fists swinging. Now, bare-knuckle boxing was a favorite pasttime among the ten Sharpe boys, and Henry easily sidestepped the lad. Thinking that he might as well satisfy the boy, Henry threw away his stick, and crouching low, flew into him with various rights and lefts until the boy had had enough. Walking back to the school, he went straight to his books, and was not only the best student in the school from then on, but became the best friend Henry had for the next two school terms. During that time, the trustees did not have to do any guard duty at Petrey School.

In 1903, 1904, and 1905, Henry was teaching at Hamburg School, near Buffalo, Alabama, about five miles north of LaFayette, where he had about 100 students in one large room. He boarded at home that year, and six of his brothers attended his school, walking with him the 4 miles to and from school. The second year, he boarded with Columbus Callahan about a mile from the school, and the next summer he boarded with Alex McCarley one and a half miles from school. A photo of this school is found on page 39 in the book "On The Hills Of Home".

On December 26, 1904, Henry married Leila Satterwhite, a schoolgirl friend. They moved to Five Points in 1905, where he was elected Principal of Five Points High School. Among the department heads was Miss Kate Wallace of Birmingham, Alabama, who was their first music teacher. She later married my brother, Andrew Jackson Sharpe.

Several of his vacation trips made in the summers while he was teaching were to the Jamestown Exposition in 1907, and also to Washington, D. C., Mammoth Cave, Kentucky and Tybee on the coast.

Notable speakers at the Five Points High School, which was the first Consolidated school in the state, were Captain Richmond Pearson Hobson, the Spanish American War hero, who was running for Congress and elected several times; The Honorable Hugo Black during his first race for Senator of Alabama, who was later on the Supreme Court of the United States.

In 1907, Henry's wife, Leila, died in childbirth, leaving her only daughter, Leila Mae Sharpe, whose photo is shown elsewhere in this book. She followed in her father's footsteps, making teaching her life work.

In 1910, Henry moved to Birmingham, Alabama, where he was elected Principal of Brighton Public School, and he held this job for some ten years. He married one of his teachers, Zola Glee Eschelman, and two more daughters were born to him: Mary Glee and Henrietta. Later he was elected Mayor of Brighton and served until he retired at sixty-five.

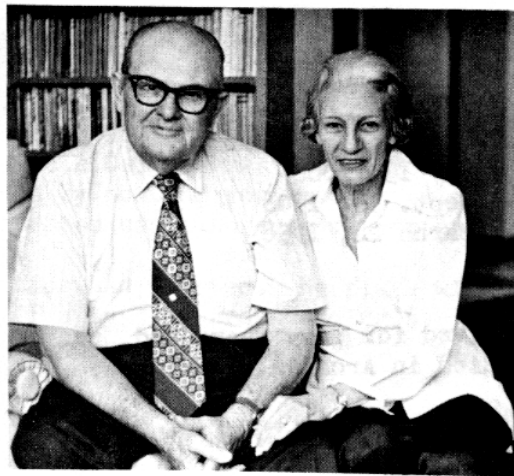
Henry was a Christian gentleman, enjoying good health until his death at the age of seventy four in 1952. He was buried in the Brighton Cemetery at Brighton, Alabama.

Leila Mae Sharpe

3rd Grade

Daughter of
H. M. Sharpe





Charles and
Dot Sharpe

Educational
Building



Presbyterian
Church
Arcadia
Florida
Where they
Served 40
Odd years



Ernest Chalmers Sharpe

b May 13, 1880

m Sept. 30, 1906

d March 24, 1958

Lived for many years and
died in Arcadia, Florida

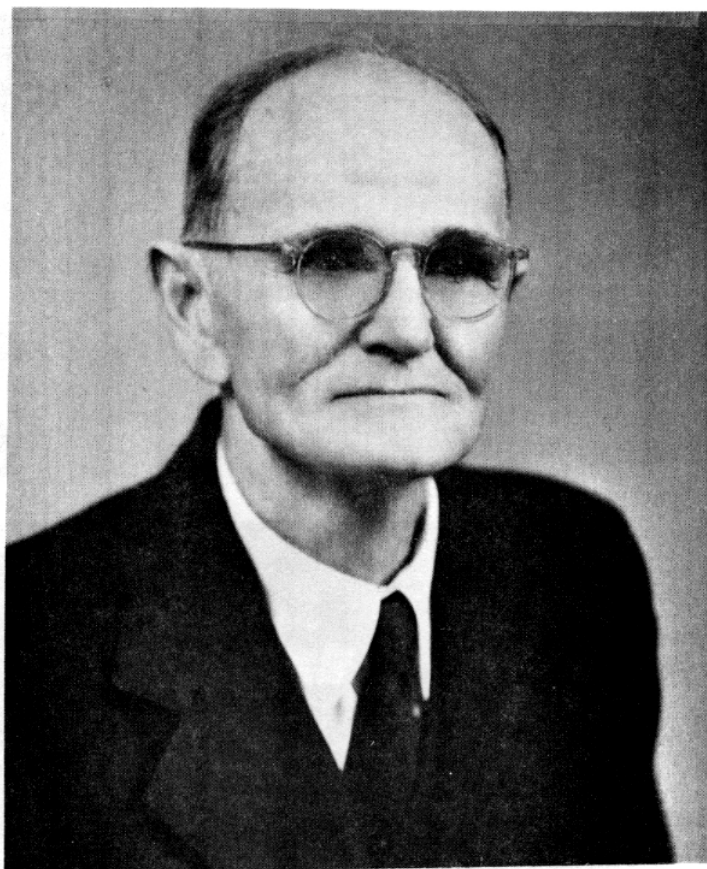
One son:

Elton Carlos Sharpe

b Nov. 23, 1907

m April 22, 1943

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Mary Viola Waldren Sharpe

Born July 31, 1883

m Sept. 30, 1906

d Feb. 17, 1968



LaGrange, Georgia
May 1, 1975

Dear Aunt Euna and Uncle Cal,

Just thinking of you and wanted to write you a little note to say hello and to tell you that we still love you. Uncle Cal, we heard that you have had a bad sty. Surely hope it is gone by now and your eye is all right. They are really a painful thing and can cause so much discomfort.

Clarence is working and the softball practice has started. He plays with the Church team, and really enjoys that. I stay busy around doing a little cooking and odd jobs that never seem to be finished. I still can't do very much, but I'm still improving and feel so much better.

I hope you both will come to see us when you can. We would enjoy you coming. We hope to come to see you before too long. It seems we are always planning to do things that we never get done.

May God richly bless you and your home.

With much love from,

(Son of Wilbur Durrell Sharpe)

Clarence and Willene Sharpe

Wants Death Penalty Restored

Editor, The Opelika-Auburn News:

Recent headlines in the press of Alabama quoted a member of the legislature to the effect that people would start marching against the restoration of capital punishment. This is a threat that all law abiding citizens of Alabama should resent.

There has not been an execution in the United States since 1967. Since that time, senseless murders have grown by leaps and bounds. Murder for thrills, murder to cover rape, robbery and murder to evade the law.

The recent cold-blooded murders in Alabama and Georgia demand the restoration of the death penalty. Let all understand justice will be sure and swift. It matters not whether the murderer is black, white, red, yellow or green, they do not deserve to live.

The sixth commandment says simply, "Thou shalt not kill." A more accurate translation would be, "Thou shalt do no murders." This refers to persons and not governments. However, in Exodus 22:2, a

person has a right to kill in defense of home and family and in defense of country.

Jesus saved the thief on the cross, because he repented. He allowed the physical body to die, because the thief deserved to die.

Genesis 6:11 tells us the world was filled with violence, each person doing evil, having turned from God. There was one exception; Noah, his three sons and their wives were saved. The story of the ark and the mighty flood is God's word. After this cleansing of the world of evil men, God started all over again.

I quote a great preacher. God is a God of love but he hates sin; he has to destroy evil to preserve good. It is a hypocritical love that never takes side against sin. To love the truth is to hate evil. A man who loves his sheep hates the wolves who destroy them.

If there is a heaven there is a hell. If there is a God there is a Satan. If you hate murder, you must put it down by punishing the murderer.

God's law of capital punishment has never been altered. It is not sensational; it is not

cruel and unusual punishment. It is a primary principle of his plan for law and order. It was God who sent the flood. It was God who burned Sodom and Gomorrah.

He did it for you and me, because he is a God of love. He is a God of mercy; he is also a God of justice. He knows that mercy without justice is anarchy. End quote.

In conclusion, I would urge our Legislature to restore capital punishment in Alabama.

Amen I.J. SCOTT

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Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Sharpe, and W.D. Sharpe Home Place.





This enlarged photo taken from the left section of the Hamburg School near Buffalo Ala. in Chambers County in 1903, found on page 39 in the Book "On The Hills Of Home ".

Front Row-LtoR-1-Dan Coggins, 2-Miss Huckaby, 3-Inez Freeman, 4-Lessie Lawson, 5-Lurene Huckaby, 2ond Row-Miss Huckaby, 2-Fanny May Huckaby, 3-Deana Parker, 4-James Otis Sharpe, In Back --Fred Callan, who was known throughout East Alabama for his Cattle and other Live-Stock Buisness. Fanny May Huckaby, later became J.Otis Sharpe's wife, Mother and Father of the largest Sharpe Family Tribe. Deana Parker won the Title Miss Hamburg, Lessie Lawson , later, became Author of the Book, "The Dorman Family Family History.

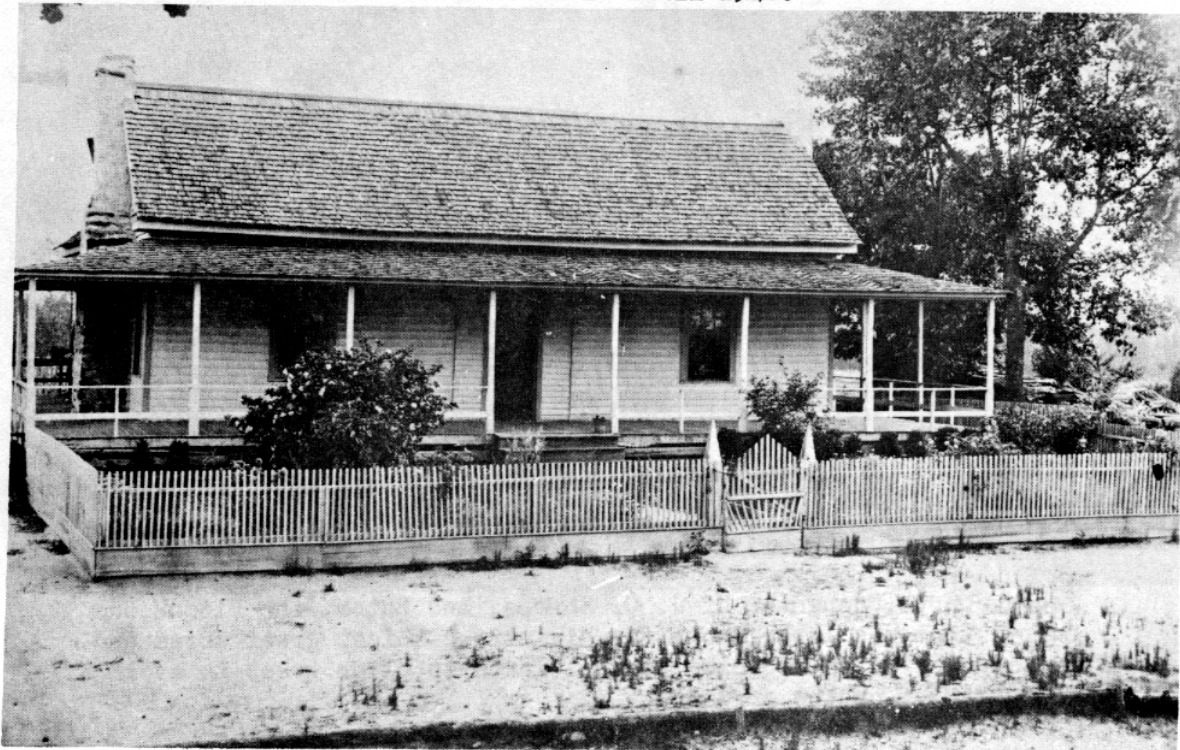


Above - Residence of James Milford and Geneva Sharpe
Long Island, New York. Grandson of James
Monroe Sharpe and Laurella Milford
Below - Residence of Jimmy Sharpe, son of the above.





Deloach-Sharpe house, built 1880-- Photo 1903
Note Needlepoint, heart pine gate posts, a prized antique
Home the author lived in until 1948.





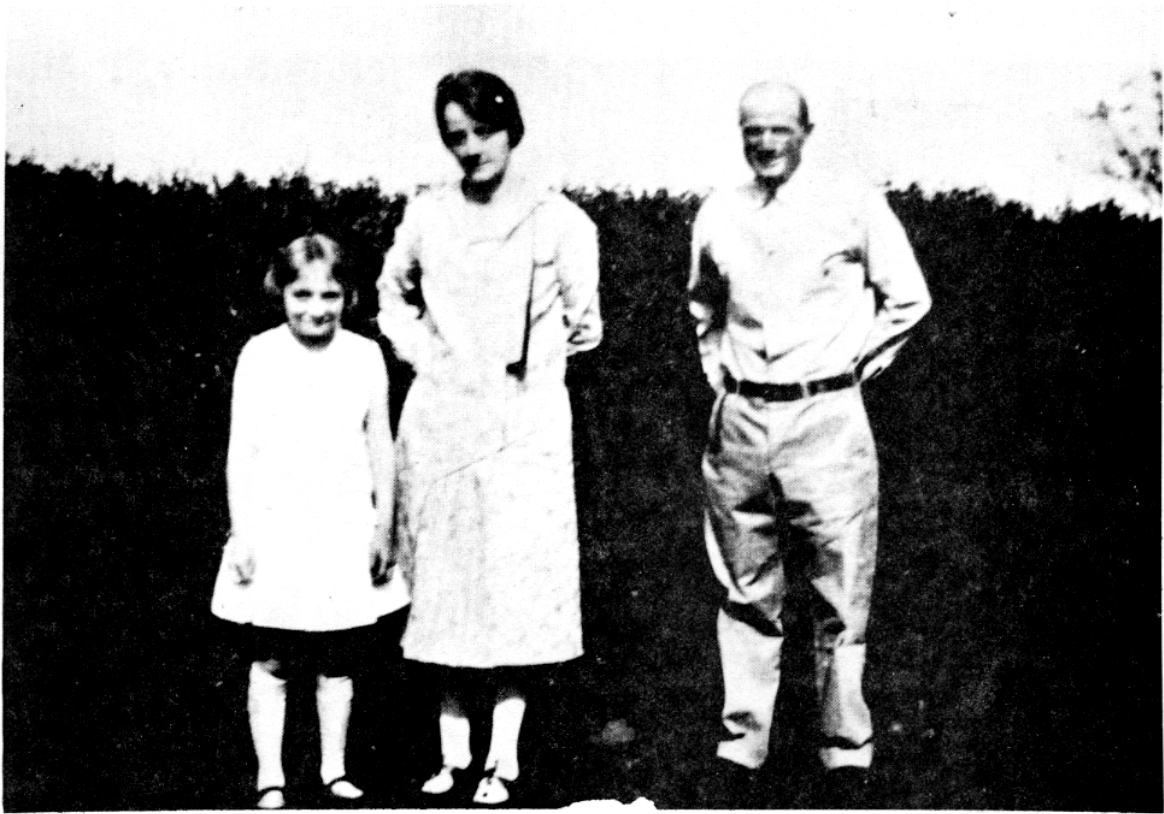
Peggy Sharpe, daughter of J. C. Sharpe, and Butch, the Bloodhound puppy, that was later known for his strong voice, great speed and hunting abilities, forcing several foxes to climb trees to avoid being caught on the ground.



Rufus and Annie Sharpe

Opposite page Top: Alice Sharpe, daughter of Rufus, with Aunt Euna and Uncle Cal. Taken in the early 30s.

Below: Picture taken at wedding of Peggy Sharpe to Henry Gerald Rodgers, November 28, 1958.
 Left to Right: Mrs. J. C. Sharpe, J. C. Sharpe, Peggy and Gerry Rodgers, Mrs. E. N. Rodgers, E. N. Rodgers
 Taken in Trinity Presbyterian Church, Montgomery, Alabama





J. Cal Sharpe and his neice, Hazel Binger,
Tallahassee, Florida, daughter of M. H. Sharpe.

Euna Benton Sharpe B. June 24, 1901
 John Calvin Sharpe B. Dec 23 1893
 married Aug. 9-1921-
 Golden Wedding Anniversary



Mrs. Sharpe's 70th birthday party





J. Cal Sharpe among the Family
trees.

A Copy of Abstract of Title of Lands of John C. Sharpe Oct. 17, 1975.
 ----- Section 11 Township 23 north Range 26 east. -----

Page	ABS--	GRANTORS	GRANTEES	DATE	SUB. OF SECTION.
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6	"	"		1837	W ₄ of S ₁₂
6	Daniel Sharpe	William H. Sharpe		1838	W ₄ of S ₁₂
7	EC & JA Lasator	J. M. Sharp		1889	S 1064 of S ₁₂
8	JW Snipes	J. S. Jackson		1885	SW _{1/4} of S ₁₂
9	JS & MO Jackson	J. W. Deloach		1889	"
10	JW & ME Deloach	J. H. Deloach		1906	"
11	JH & A Deloach	AJ & WD Sharpe		1906	"
12	A. J/ Sharpe	W. D. Sharpe		1910	"
13	W. D. & M Sharpe	J. M. Sharpe		1912	20 A.
14	JM & EL Sharpe	J. C. Sharpe		1937	All

The following section shows the present use of the above described property.

Photographs of different activities included.

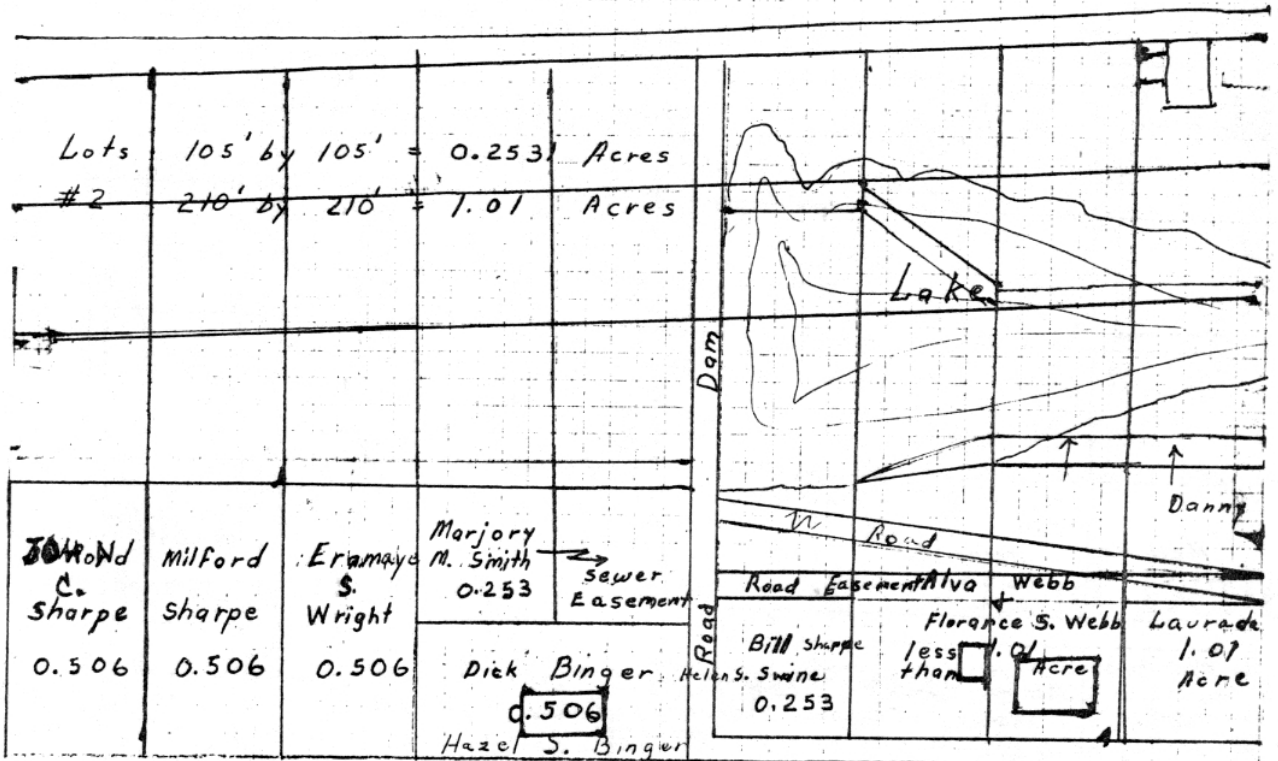
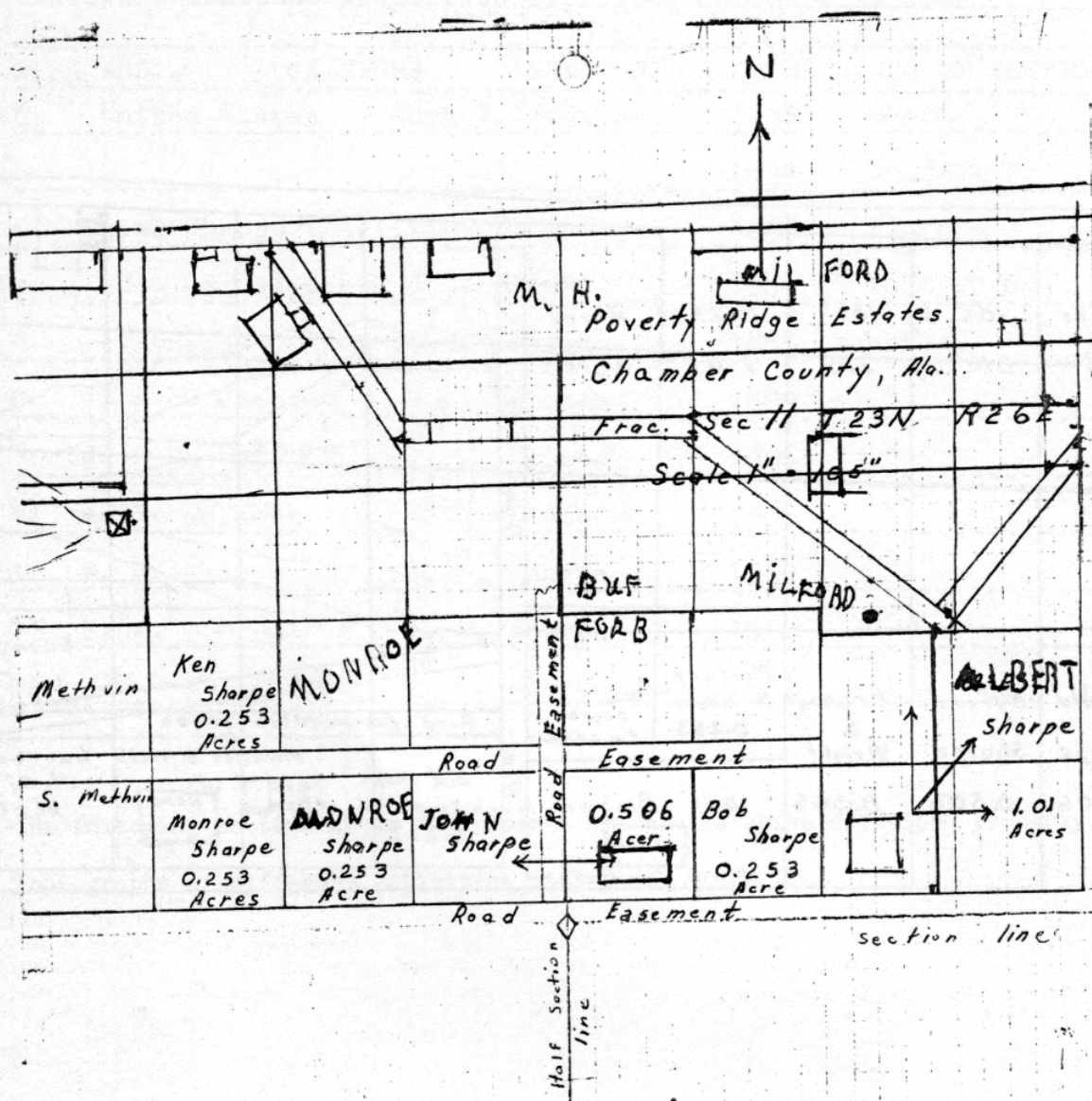


Chart of Sharpe's Playgrounds and family cabin lots , 1976





PREPARING FOR FAIR—Roanoke Junior Service League members Mrs. Larry Armstrong, Mrs. Ronald Traylor, Mrs. W.T. Hawkins, Jr., and Mrs. Tommy Hill

are beginning work on the October 2, White Plains Country Fair at Sharpe's Lake.

Country Fair To Be Bigger And Better

In the spring a young man's fancy may lightly turn to thoughts of love, but in the fall, everyone's thoughts turn to the annual White Plains Country Fair!! The members of the Roanoke Junior Service League are already eagerly anticipating the third annual fair and they have thought of everything to make it even bigger and better than the last two years — if that's possible.

The fair will again be held in the same spacious and ideal setting at Sharp's Lake, October 2, from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. Sharp's Lake is located on Highway 431 between Roanoke and LaFayette, with lots of signs directing you to the fair.

EXHIBITORS ARE busy putting the finishing touches on their displays. Booths will be located on the porches of old rustic buildings and under large shade trees. You will want to spend the whole day

browsing, visiting and buying! Live musical entertainment will be presented all day by many groups — including country and western singers, bands and the Spirit of '76 singers. A steam calliope will be there all day and adds much to the fair atmosphere.

This year there will be a large display of antique cars from the Roanoke, Valley and LaGrange area. The children of all ages will especially enjoy a ride on the wooden train and a visit with "Smokey, The Bear". Men will want to see the demonstration of woodcarving with chainsaws.

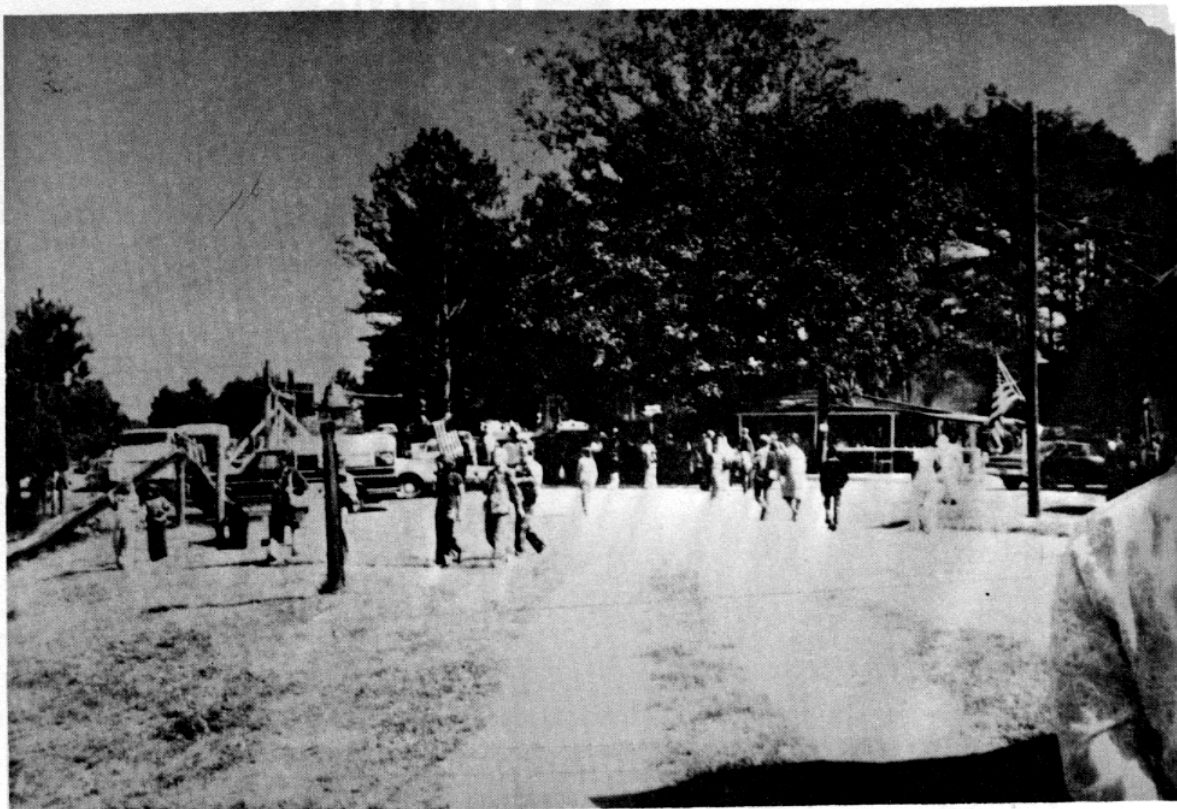
Many talented craftsmen and artists plan displays of their talents. Included in the booths will be leaded stain glass items, unique and valuable antiques, hand painted china, lovely carved furniture, old coins, handmade straw brooms, old bottles and delicious goodies from the kitchen and garden. The handmade toys and dolls as well as the leathercrafts and stuffed

animals will especially appeal to the boys and girls. The beautiful and detailed handmade quilts alone are worth the trip to the fair.

THERE WILL BE ample free parking facilities for the many who plan to come to the fair this year and you will be assisted in parking by the Standing Rock Fire and Rescue Squad. Chambers Adacemy of LaFayette has become famous for the delicious brunswick stew, sandwiches and homemade cakes which they serve each year and this year there will be an abundant supply for those who might wish to take some home with them.

Proceeds from the fair will be used to sponsor the Roanoke Junior Service League projects with special emphasis being placed on answering needs of the elementary schools, Association of Retarded Citizens and the Roanoke City Library. Service League officers are: Mrs. James Fincher, president; Mrs. A.B. Sprague, vice-president; Mrs. Denny Wood and Mrs. W.T. Hawkins, secretaries; Mrs. Lloyd Turner, ways and means chairman; Mrs. Bob Seabolt, treasurer; Mrs. David Naugher, placement; Mrs. Henry Bonner, Historian, and Mrs. Frank Phillips, parliamentarian.

Country Fair - 1975, 1976



Scenes taken at Country Fair



Roanoke Country Fair Today

ROANOKE, Ala. — Sharp's Lake will be the scene of a bustling country fair today as the women of the Roanoke Junior Service League present their wares on the porches of rustic buildings and under large trees.

The second annual fair will begin at 9 a.m. and end at 6 p.m. A steam calliope will play all day, and bands and vocalists will offer live entertainment.

Special events will include a demonstration of woodcarving with a chainsaw, a lion cub from Lion Country Safari, "Smokey the Bear" and a display

of antique cars.

Items for sale include glass, china and antiques, hand-made furniture, old coins and many crafts. For children, there's a ride on a wooden train and wooden toys and dolls, old and new.

Posters made by Roanoke elementary students will be on display. Brunswick stew, sandwiches and homemade cakes will be available.

Proceeds from the fair will sponsor league projects with special emphasis on answering school needs and improving county health facilities and services.



Gail Turner, Nancy Fincher, Sarah Phillips, Penny Bradshaw

Have you ever attended a country fair? If you haven't, you'll not want to miss the bustle of fairtime in the fall. The Roanoke Junior Service League is already eagerly anticipating the second annual White Plains Country Fair.

Patterned after last year's successful event, the fair will again be held at Sharp's Lake, October 11, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Sharp's Lake is located on Highway 431 between Roanoke and LaFayette. Exhibitors are busy putting finishing touches on their displays, and Service League members are giving Sharp's Lake its yearly manicure. Booths are to be located on the porches of unique rustic buildings and

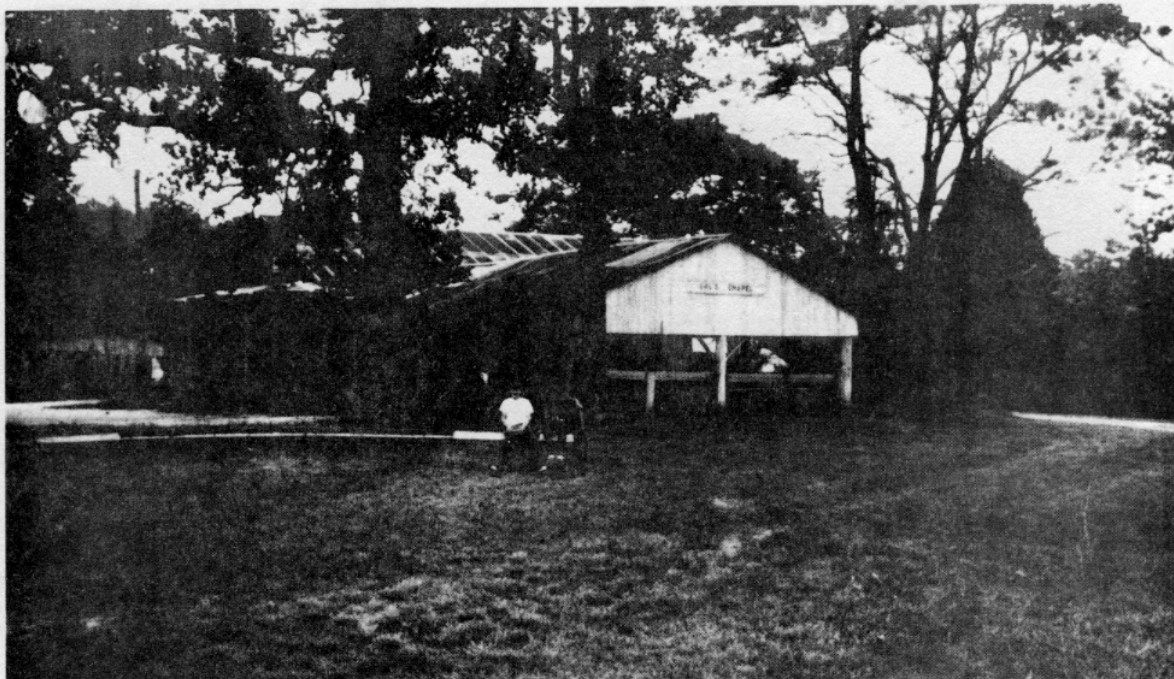
under large trees. There is plenty of room for browsing, visiting, and buying.

ADDING TO THE fair-time atmosphere, a steam calliope will play throughout the day. Bands and vocalists including the Southern Union Singers will offer live entertainment during fair hours. Special events will include a demonstration of

woodcarving with chainsaws, a lion cub from Lion Country Safari in Atlanta, "Smokey the Bear", and a display of antique cars from the Roanoke and LaGrange area.

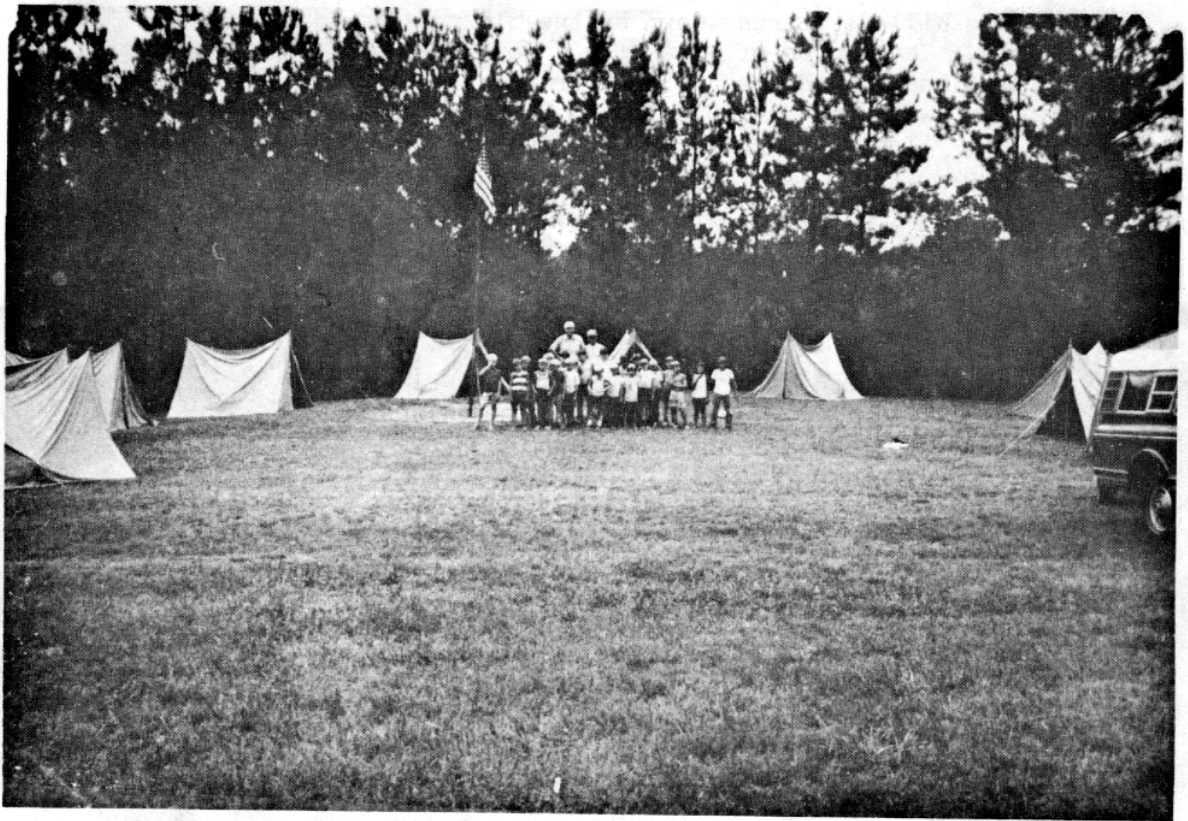
Booths will thrill young and old. Included will be leaded stained glass items, antiques, hand painted china, hand made furniture, old coins and many crafts. Children will enjoy a ride on a wooden train. They will also find wooden toys and dolls, old and new.

The Roanoke City Elementary Schools will have a booth displaying posters made by the students



Cals' Chapel (Shady Dell) built -1955.
 Sharpe's Play Grounds Log Cabin built-1870.



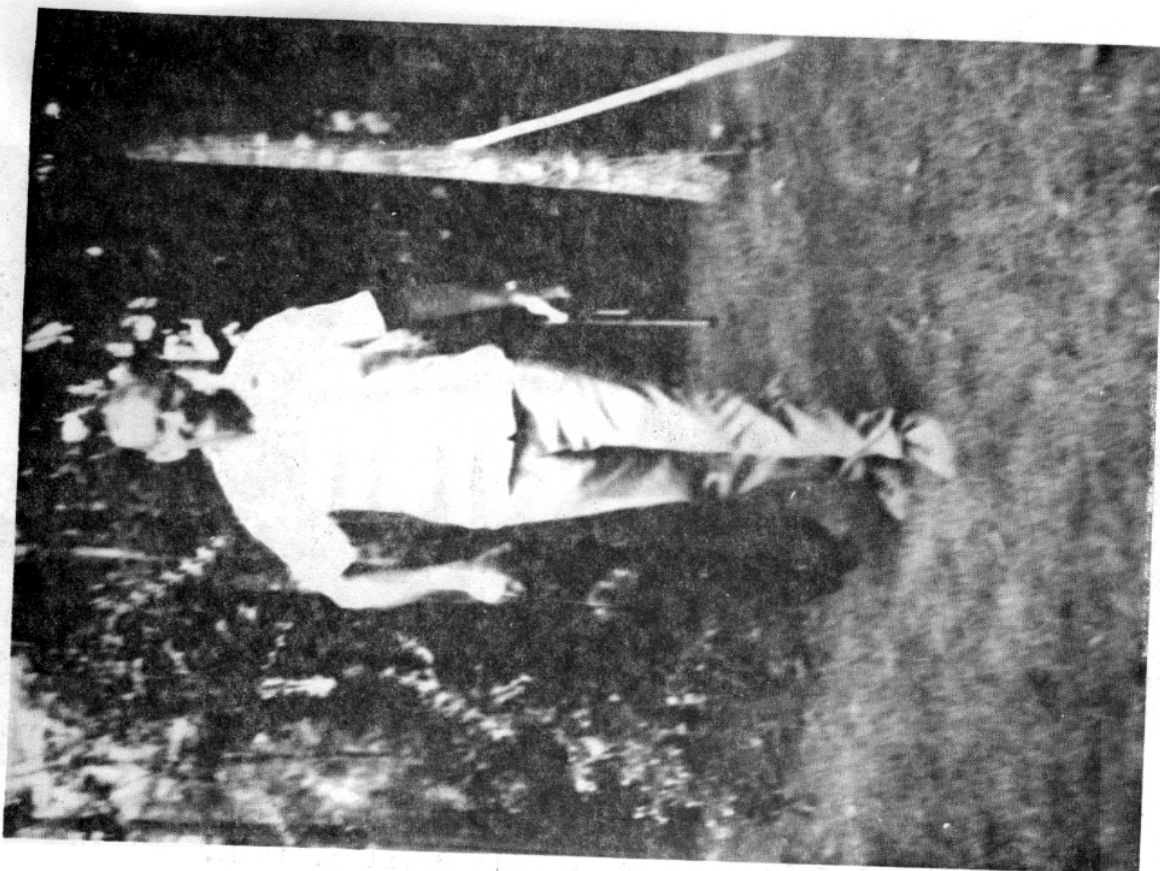


Sharpe's Playground in use by Scouts

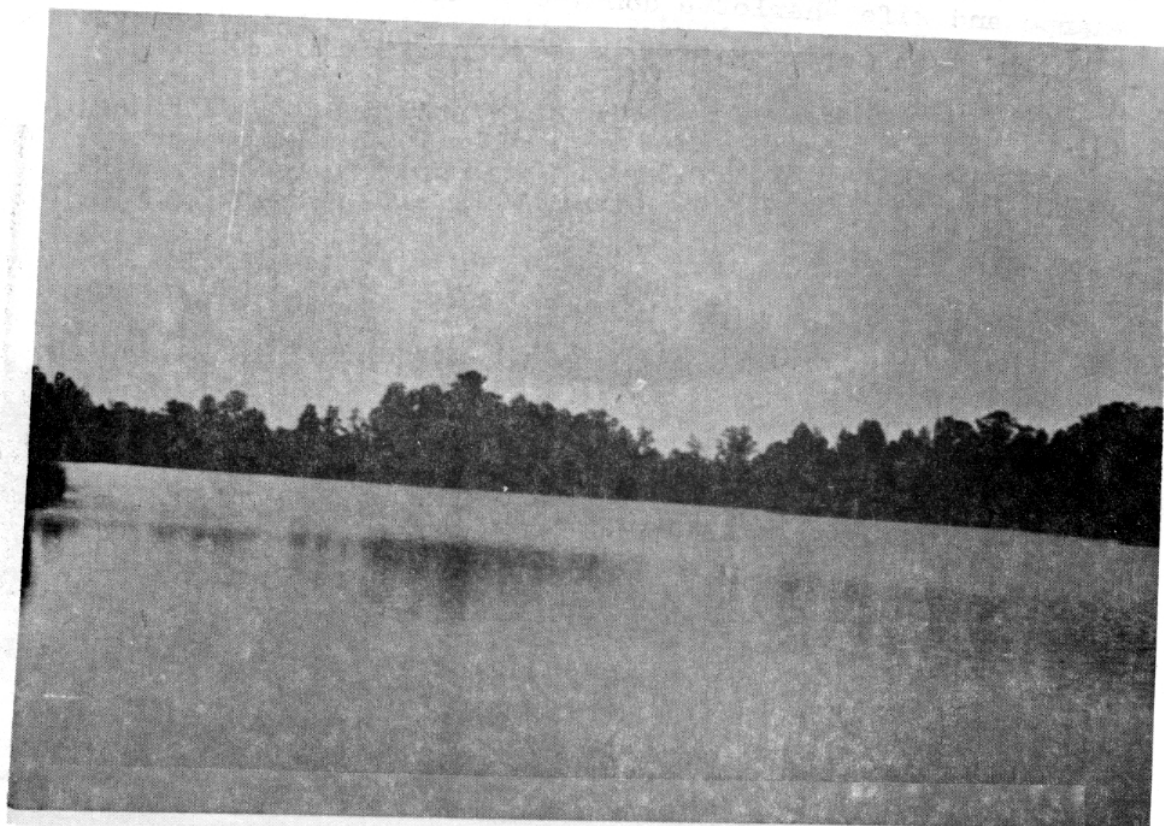


Clarence and Willene Sharpe, down by the old spring at the head of Spring-Lake. The source of water for 4 generations of Sharpe and many generations of Indians, as many artifacts are still to be found. A 10 rail pen was built to hold the 10 Sharpe boys while Ma did the Monday wash. Also the scene of all hog killings. Washday tools were 2 wooden rubs, 1 iron pot, battling block and stick, 1 water bucket. Clothes were hung on bushes minus buttons, if the boys helped with the battling





Dick Binger, a prince of a fellow, and nephew, an employee of the Florida State Highway Department, bags a 40 lb beaver at Sharpe's Lakes, while on vacation, July 4, 1975.





Chapel Hill Methodist Church Chambers Co. Ala. where James Milford Sharpe enrolled in S.S. Cradle Roll April 6, 1914.

Pine Grove Methodist Church Chambers Co. Ala. where Daniel Hiram Sharpe and wife Charlotte donated $\frac{1}{4}$ acres of land to the Church in 1840, and is a thriving, growing Church Congregation today.



John Sharp Williams, age 62, prominent Mississippi leader and son of the late U. S. Senator, John Sharp Williams, the first president of the Mississippi Chemical Corporation. Died on July 25, 1949, in Baptist Hospital, Jackson, Mississippi. Death followed a four day illness caused by an acute heart condition.

Mr. Williams, a life time resident of the ancestral home at Benton, in Yazoo County, was active in business, agricultural, civic and political affairs throughout the state. He operated extensive farm holdings in Yazoo and Humphreys counties. He also operated a large number of cotton gins in and around Yazoo County

He was a recognized leader in the field of agriculture, and a graduate of Texas A & M College. He devoted much time and thought to the organization of the Mississippi Chemical Corporation, and was serving as president of the multi-million dollar corporation at the time of his death. Mr. Williams was a member of the board of directors of the Mississippi Farm Bureau Federation, Delta Council, Mississippi Bag and Burlap Company, Southern Farm Bureau Life Insurance Company, and various other associations connected with the business and affairs of agriculture. He was also manager of the Benton Gin Company and the Yazoo Farmers Gin Company. He was well posted on the political affairs of the state, and was active in both the state and-National Democratic Party affairs. He attended many national party conventions and was among those who walked out at the recent Philadelphia Convention. He served as a Colonel on the staff of Governor Wright.

Mr. Williams is survived by his wife, Pauline Webb Williams, formerly of Bryant, Texas; a daughter, Mrs. Joe Howie, Jackson; a sister, Mrs. E. R. Holmes of Yazoo City; and two brothers, Allison R. Williams, Washington, D. C., and Robert W. Williams, Washington, D. C., and Pickens, Mississippi.

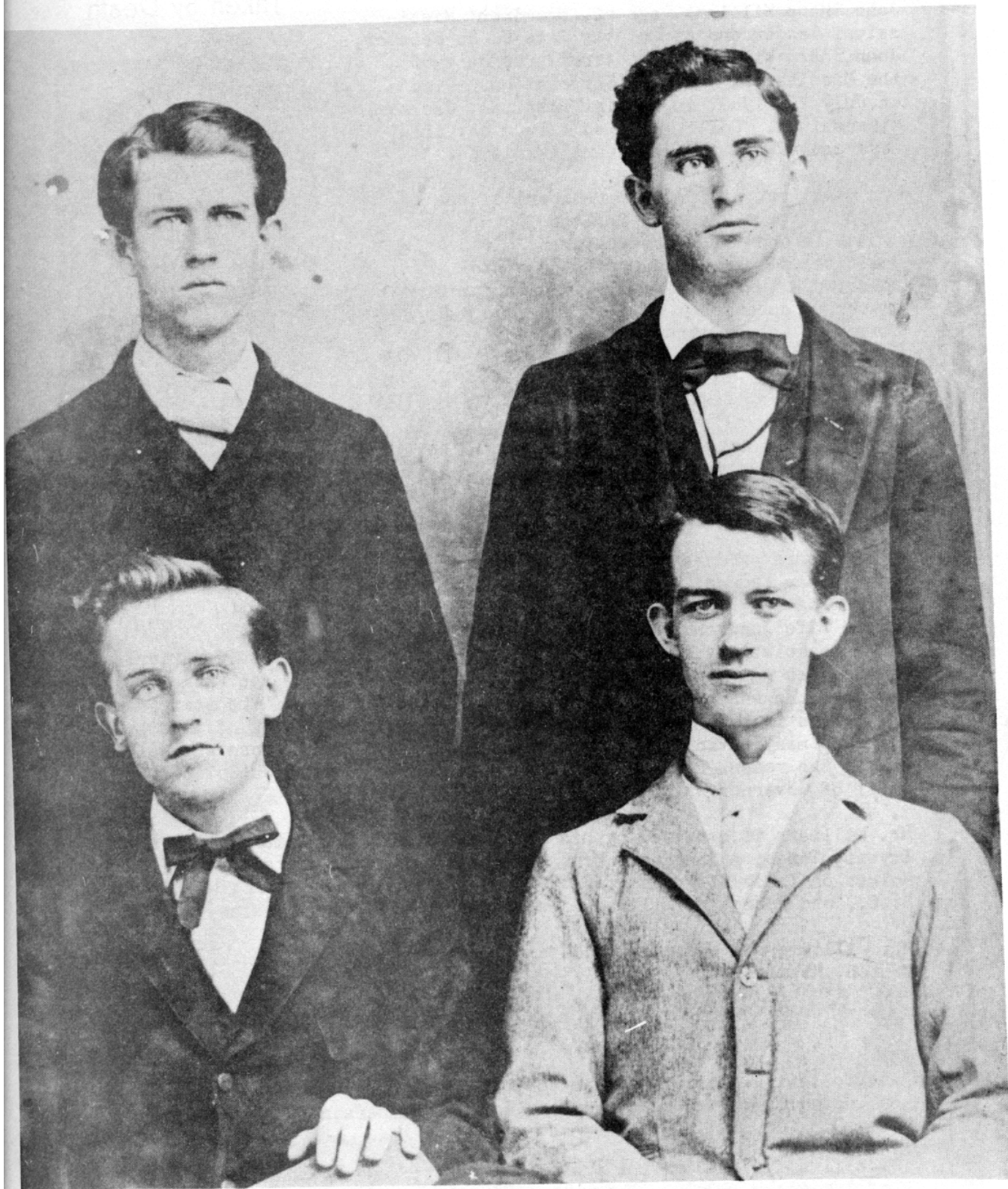
Mr. Williams was buried in the family cemetery at Cedar Grove Plantation, Benton, Mississippi.

The following section of this book is a collection of memorabilia collected by the author, many reflecting his personal viewpoints.

The first picture of the Frazers and Hollingsworth show young men of the early 1900's. They were the pillars of the Lebanon Presbyterian Church, the church of many of the Sharpe family.



John Sharp Williams, Jr., first president of MCC, prominent in Mississippi business, agriculture, civic and political affairs, was taken by death during July.



Front; L to R Frank Frazer, Dr. Wills Hollingsworth
Back; L to R George Hollingsworth, Dr. Henry Frazer
Sons of John R. Frazer and Dr. J. Thomas Hollingsworth

REVISED LIST OF MEMBERS OF THE SHARPE FAMILY, AND CONNECTIONS
WHO SERVED IN THE ARMED FORCES
and in Positions in Government

Samuel Sharpe	Member of First Assembly of Virginia, 1619
Geo. Black Sharpe	Rev. War, 1776
Thomas Sharpe	Rev. War, 1776
John Milford	Rev. War, 1776
Henry Milford	Rev. War, 1776
Robert Milford	Rev. War, 1776
Thomas Milford ^{Wm.} milford	Rev. War, 1776
Phillip Phagan	Rev. War, 1776
WM. Henry Sharpe	Civil War 1861-1863, b-at Petersburg Virginia
J.F. Sharpe	Indian War.-1814-1817-1836
WM. Daniel Sharpe	Indian War. Battle of Horseshoe Bend 1814
Andrew Jackson Sharpe	Civil War, In Battle of Monitor and Merrimac
George Sharpe	Civil War, 9-in est Virginia, Blast accident
Hiram T. Sharpe	Civil War, -Drove Yankee team of oxen to Miss.
WM. F. Abernathy	Civil War, A great uncle
Webster H. Sharpe	Spanish American War
J. Calvin Sharpe	World War I, 1917-1919 325 Inf. 82nd Div. France
J. Milford Sharpe	World War, II, SGT, Major Coast Guard 28 years, Career
George Wright	World War II, Col U. S. Army, Career
Emmett Farrington	World War, II, Lieutenant
Vernon Sharpe	World War, II,
Donald Sharpe	World War, II,
Alver T. Webb	World War, II,
Monroe Sharpe	World War, II,
Buford Sharpe	World War, II, Col. USAF Career
Danny Methvin	World War, II, <i>Lewis H. Milford 5 1/2 navy WWII</i>
Jasper Sharpe	World War, II, <i>William T. Redmond, Sgt. AAF WWII</i>
Tommy Sharpe	World War, II, <i>killed in action over Germany apr. 2 1945</i>
Phillip Sharpe	World War, II,
William J. Sharpe	World War, II,
Dick Binger	World War, II,
Pearson Fuller	World War, II,
Bobby Perryman	World War, II,
Winston Burt	World War, II, Fort Payne Ala.
Ramon Burt	World War, II, Fort Payne Ala.
Bob Sharpe	USAF.
Harold Lauderdale	USAF.
Donnie Lauderdale	USAF.
Rusty Lauderdale	USAF.
Frank Haio	Korean War, <i>Frank Stanton Farr, Jr. Korean war</i>
John Andreason	Korean War, <i>Thomas Fred McCarley, Sgt. Korean war</i>
Ricky Sharpe	USAF,
Bruce McCarthy	USAF,
Herbert Milford ^{WWI}	Sheriff of Chambers County Ala. 8, years
Jack C. Sharpe	Minister
J. Larry Sharpe	Chaplin
John H. Sharpe	Attorney General Texas, Son of A. Jack Sharpe
Dudley C. Sharpe	World War, II, Sect. Air Force
Archie D. Gray	World War, I, Pres. Gulf Oil Co.
John Sharpe Williams	Senator Mississippi.
U.S. Grant Sharpe	World War II, Admiral U. S. Navy
Charlie Will Milford	Minister
Mitchell Sharpe	Member Canadian Parliament 1969-1971-

August 10, 1938.

Mr. John C. Sharpe,
Route # 1,
Buffalo, Ala.

Dear Mr. Sharpe:

Now that you have gotten back to the farm and probably re-adjusted to your normal routine, I want to take this opportunity to formally thank you and congratulate you on the splendid record you made during the Short Course at Auburn. Your cooperation and performance was inspiring.

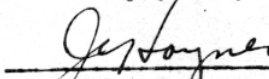
I can't begin to tell you how proud we are of having been associated with you in this new effort to carry the benefits of scientific study and experiment from the college direct to a group of intelligent young men who can put the theories into practical use. As several said at the "commencement" banquet last Wednesday night, this is a new brand of cooperation between college, business and the farmer to improve Alabama agriculture. This may well prove to have been a historical experiment.

The important part of the experiment, though, will be the application of the principles covered in the lectures and demonstrations and the influence it will have on your farm program and the practices of your neighbors that may watch you with new interest. If this special summer work contributed a little to your leadership, that will justify the effort and expense.

It is my understanding that you men who attended the Short Course established a club or organization through which you can keep in touch with each other. That is interesting because it could well be the beginning of an intelligent Farmers' Union of some sort, through which you could keep your contact alive and get things done in and for Alabama agriculture. Needless to say, we shall certainly be pleased to be of any possible service in that connection.

It was an extreme pleasure to get better acquainted with you through the Short Course and I shall look forward to seeing you again at some future time. In the meantime, our best wishes are extended for your success in practicing some of the things they preached to you at Auburn.

Cordially yours,


J. C. Haynes

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H. V. Kaltenborn, one of my favorite new commentators, speaking over the radio at the airport upon arrival from Europe in a clipper ship.

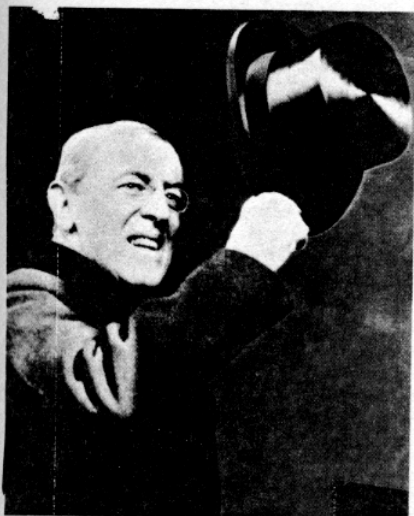
The clippings, photographs and letters in these last few pages represent the editor's point of view and personal interests throughout the many years of his life.



Right: No American war hero has ever been more loved or more wildly acclaimed than Dwight D. Eisenhower. "I like Ike!" was a chant heard around the world.



Below: Woodrow Wilson, U.S. President during World War I. He inspired millions to victory, but petty politics undid his life's work and drove him to collapse.



FIRST BATTALION

320th INFANTRY

THE BATTALION REVIEW

OF, FOR, AND

BY THE MEN

MOLESME, FRANCE

"EYES RIGHT" TO PRESIDENT WILSON

The review for the President of the United States at Humes, France, on Christmas day, Dec. 25, 1918, was an event of great historical significance. That was the first time in the history of the United States that a President has reviewed his troops on foreign soil. Of more historical significance though, is the fact that the President at the end of the greatest war in history should have come almost in sight of the great battlefields of the war and there visited and talked to and reviewed the soldiers who had taken part in the great conflict.

The reviewing troops consisted of a battalion from each of the following Divisions - the 6th, 26th, 29th, 77th, 80th, and 82nd, and a provisional battalion of Engineers, Signal Corps and Military Police, and also a battery of artillery of the 77th Division and an Ambulance Company and a machine Gun Company.

The first battalion of the 320th Infantry was selected to take part in the review to represent the 80th division under orders which directed that there be selected for that honor "either the four best companies in the division or the best company in each of the four infantry regiments." While it was, of course, difficult to pick out "the best" among so many good battalions, every man in the first battalion should be proud to have had the battalion selected for the honor of passing in review before the President on this historic occasion.

The battalion left Molesme at noon

on the 23rd of December and traveling "by bus" passed through Châtillon and reached the Aeroplane Depot near La Trecey at about dusk. Here the battalion stayed for the night in the great aerodromes. Here, also, the men and officers were treated to a splendid show given under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A., and every man was given a small token to remind him that it was Christmas Eve. The next morning between seven and eight o'clock the battalion "re-embussed" for Humes. After a great many vicissitudes in the way of break-downs and shifting of men from one truck to another the battalion reached Humes and marched up the big Chaumont-Langres road to the parade ground just in time to get out of the way of the Presidential party. Promptly at 10:30 the big guns of the 77th Div. Artillery began to fire the Presidential Salute, as the President stepped from his car. As he stepped upon the platform erected for the review the great body of men that had assembled around the stand to hear the President stood at "attention". The President was introduced by General Pershing. The President spoke in a clear distinct voice that could be easily heard at all parts of the field. He told the men how proud the people at home were of them: that the soldiers in France had accomplished the high purposes of the American people which they set out to accomplish: that there is unity now among those who are to reap the rewards of victory: and that he was proud

to claim comradeship with men who had fought so gallantly and done so much in France.

At the conclusion of the speech the battalions marched back to the line on the field from which the review was to start. A mounted bugler called "Attention", and the magnificent general headquarters band played the "Star Spangled Banner". The battalions then passed in review from their position in close line, the companies passing in company from in close column.

The field was muddy and more or less irregular and marching was difficult, but the passing troops were good to look upon and the President was observed to applaud as the First Battalion passed. Later General Pershing sent the following telegram congratulating the Division on the creditable representation.

« Commanding General,

« 80th. Division, Ancy-lès-Franc.

« As commander in Chief I wish
« to congratulate the Division on the
« splendid showing made by the
« troops representing the Division in
« the review given for the President
« of the United States at Humes,
« France, Dec. 25, 1918.

« PERSHING ».

The battalion stopped on the way back to eat a lunch at the Aerodromes at La Trecey, and on Christmas night, in a real Christmas snow, reached "home" for a Christmas supper that had been prepared by the cooks who were left behind.

On Pershing's Reputation

GUERRILLA WARRIOR: THE EARLY LIFE OF JOHN J. PERSHING by Donald Smythe, Charles Scribner's Sons, New York, N. Y., 1973, 370 pages, \$10.95.

ALBERT N. GARLAND

The author of this book, Donald Smythe, is a Jesuit priest who has long had an active interest in John J. Pershing, one of this country's best known military leaders and the commander of the American Expeditionary Force sent to Europe in World War I.

On the surface, I suppose, this represents a strange combination: a Roman Catholic priest who, though a member of what had once been a quasi-military religious order, has dedicated his life to peaceful pursuits, and the "Iron Commander," supposedly one of the most hard-bitten, demanding military leaders the United States Army has ever produced. But, then, maybe the difference between the two is not that great, for the Jesuits (until relatively recent times) have been noted for their iron discipline, and Pershing, after all, may not have been that hard-bitten, after all.

The latter point seems to be the one Father Smythe wants to emphasize, for he returns to it constantly. He says that while Pershing "never completely succeeded in separating discipline from pettiness," he was an "affectionate" man, as anyone would testify who had seen "him with his wife and family." And while Smythe does admit that by the end of the Mexican campaign "Pershing's reputation as a disciplinarian, not to say a martinet, was established" and that that reputation "accompanied him the rest of his life," Smythe wonders if Pershing was being a "Man of Iron . . . because he wanted to be, or because he had to be?"

Maybe Smythe is right. Maybe Pershing was truly an "affectionate" man. But he does not show us why Pershing was called a martinet, or a strict disciplinarian, or whatever it was he was called — and he was called just about every name in the book. With but one or two small examples of Pershing's methods of handling troops, Smythe leaves us to wonder about the "iron" in Pershing's

Another point that left me dangling: Pershing's methods of command. Smythe walks us through the Philippine jungles in pursuit of the Moros, and he tells of Pershing's apparent

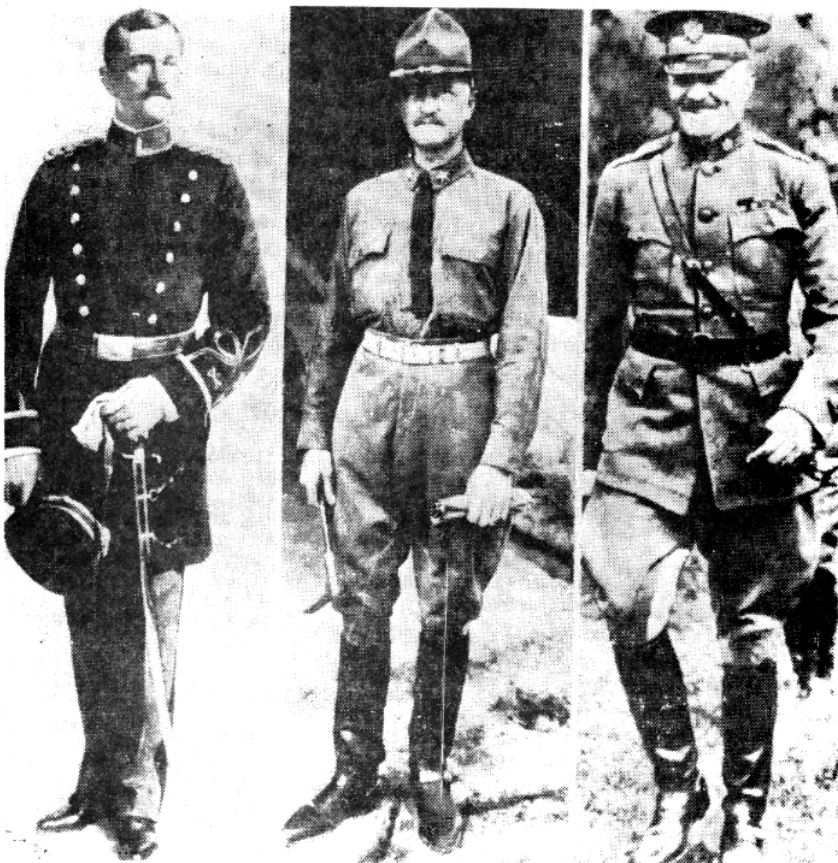
outstanding handling of the units under his command. But what did Pershing do? And how did he do it? Did he have a staff? How and when did he issue his orders? How did he control the movement of the various units? We do not know.

Smythe does tell us a great

deal about the early military career of Pershing. But it is what Smythe left unsaid that weakens the book to an almost unacceptable degree. I came away with the feeling that Smythe did not really understand the man about whom he was writing, nor did he understand

the Army of the 1880s, 1890s, and early 1900s.

Finally, I also came away with the distinct feeling that Smythe was never really at home in the strange world populated by the U. S. military services from the end of the Civil War to the outbreak of World War I.

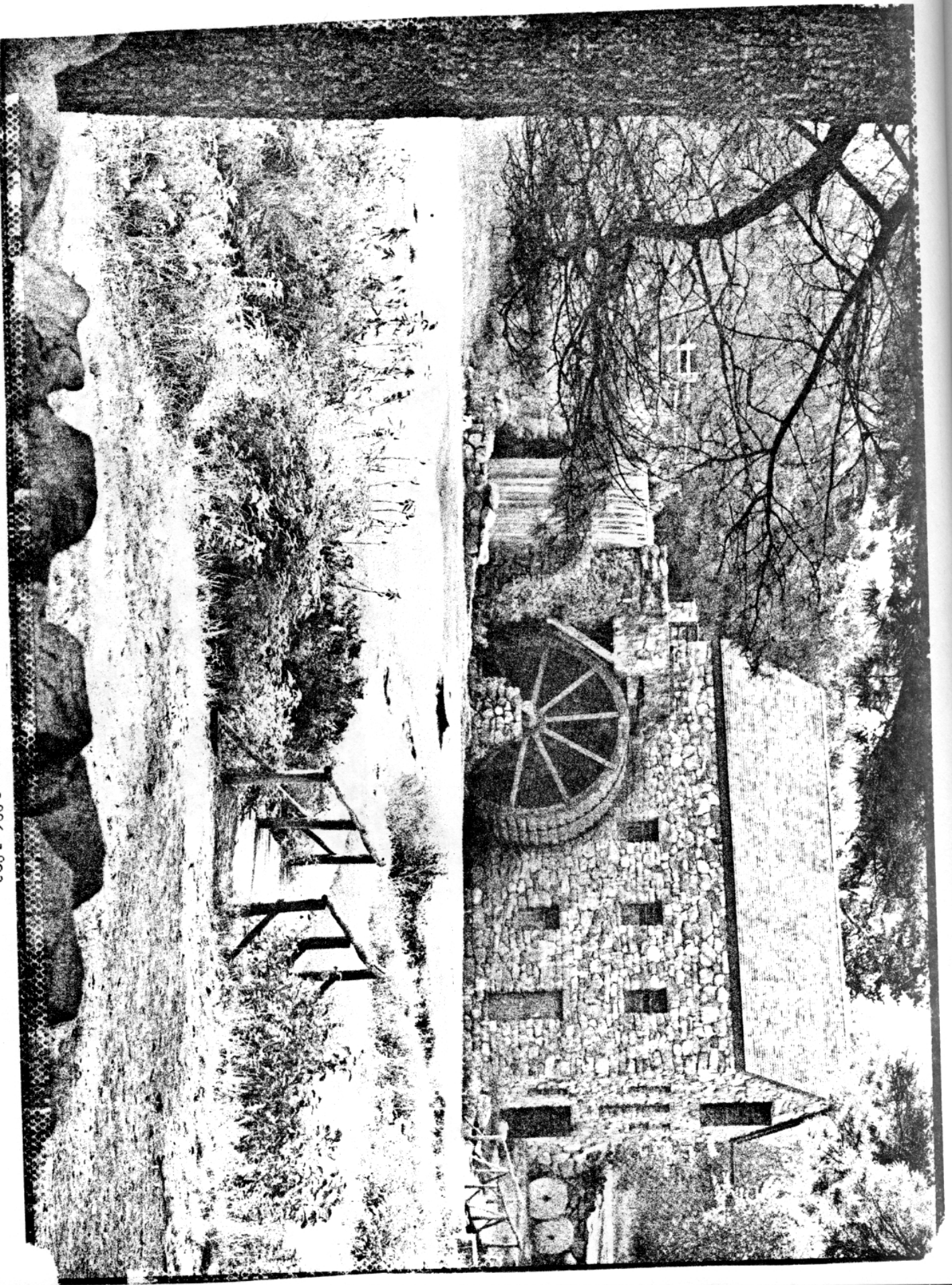


PERSHING — as he looked at various stages of his career. First as a captain in the Philippines in 1901 (L); then as a Brigadier General who commanded troops pursuing Pancho Villa into Mexico in 1914 (M); and as commander of the A.E.F. in France in 1918 during World War I.



Sgt. Alvin C. York, who on October 8, 1918, killed 20 Germans and captured 132 prisoners, using a regular army rifle and a .45 Colt pistol. He received congratulations from Black Jack Pershing, Commander of the A.E.F. He was my "Buddy" in the 82nd Division Camp Gordon, Atlanta, Georgia, 1917

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December 3, 1972

Dear Cal and Euna:

THANK YOU FOR MY NICE CHRISTMAS PRESENT!!!!!!!

And Double Thanks for the kind references to my labors among you. I don't believe my heart warmed as much as when the citation was read at the time Presbyterian College awarded or conferred on me the D D degree.

It brought to mind some of the happiest moments of my life and recalled some events about which time seems to have effaced at least some of the details.

I frequently feast in memory upon the many pleasant hours of delightful fellowship which I was privileged to enjoy as I roamed up and down the "HILLS OF HOME" and among some of the finest folks I have ever known and to whom I owe so much.

When the time comes for the Centennial celebration, I hope you will drop me a reminder. You will see by the enclosure that I still have enough to do to keep my mind off my ailments, but if it is at all possible, I plan to treat myself to a trip to that joyful affair.

With the fondest of all good wishes I am,

Gratefully and sincerely yours,

Frank H. McElroy
Frank H. McElroy

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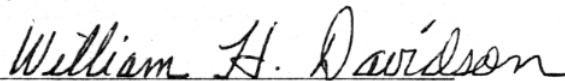
MR. JOHN C. SHARPE
ROUTE 2
LAFAYETTE, ALA. 36862

DEAR MR. SHARPE

You are invited to become a member of the Chattahoochee Valley Historical Society. The Society is organized for the purpose of research and preservation of local history.

The Chattahoochee Valley Historical Society meets four times a year with dues of \$2.00 annually. Meetings are held at an announced place, usually in West Point, Georgia, in December, June, September and March. All meetings are open to the public.

Please use the enclosed, self-addressed envelope to join with us in locating, preserving and telling the story of the heritage of the Valley area.



President

Robert Brewster

Writing Poetry and Letters to Editors Keep Retired Langdale Gentleman Busy

By VIRGINIA SMITH

The name of Robert G. Brewster of Langdale is a familiar one to followers of "Letters to the Editor" sections of newspapers. Brewster is one of the rare people who not only states the intention of writing the letter to the editor, he puts his opinions into action, writes and mails the letters.

Brewster has another talent. He writes poetry, again putting his thoughts and beliefs into writing, only this time, in rhyme. One such poem is titled "Childhood Memories" and is a salute to his boyhood home and happy childhood.

Brewster was born on a farm about two miles from Penton. His grandparents, Polly Ann and Hector Megginson, were pioneer settlers in the Penton area and Brewster grew up in a big log house with two brothers and three sisters.

The house had one big main room and a smaller rear room, in addition to a kitchen lean-to. He remembers the time when the kitchen was a separate building, connected to the main house by a covered walkway and also the huge open fireplace in this separate cooking room, where pot racks swung over the fire where the food was cooked. Later, as the family grew, another room was added to the original log house. Today, the old home is no longer standing, but it remains in vivid detail in the mind of Robert Brewster.

The 71-year-old "Letters to the Editor" writer and poet is retired now and devotes most of his time to his beloved and only grandchild, six-year-old Donna Kay Brewster, the daughter of the Brewster's son, Bobby O'Neal Brewster and his wife, Beverly.

Brewster attended elementary school at Penton and graduated from Chambers County High School in Milltown, where he was a star basketball player and

a member of the state championship Milltown team.

After he graduated from high school in 1925, Brewster came to Lanett where he worked for a time in Lanett Mill, before a job as carpenter helper to Captain Dick Hedrick.

When the Florida land boom came in the late 1920s, Brewster decided he wanted to see for himself what was going on in Florida and he worked in the Miami area for six months.

He returned to Lanett where he worked in the mill and played on the mill's outstanding basketball team. He also worked for a time at River View Mill, where he met up with a former classmate, Jack Swann, also a Milltown graduate. He worked at the Pepperell Bleachery in Opelika for 16 years, from which he retired in 1966.

Brewster said he wrote his first letter to an editor in the middle 1960s during the Selma Freedom March and has continued since that time. He writes his letters in long hand, in excellent penmanship and correct spelling and a good choice of words, showing that his education did not end when he graduated from high school. Brewster says he tries to write the letters to express his views and says he may sometimes "insult some people in a nice way." He has scrapbooks filled with all of his letters in newspapers nationwide, including the Manchester Guardian of Vermont.

The letters range in subject matter from politics, religion, pollution, consumer advocate Ralph Nader (whom he opposes), gun control (also opposed), inflation, Watergate and events current at the time.

Brewster is a man with strong opinions but says he is always glad to acknowledge a mistake.

He is interested in sports and believes the player strike by professional football players is wrong and that the two sides should mediate.



restricted Brewster's activities but not his energies and abilities to write.

Mrs. Brewster is the former

Maggie Lee Sanders and is employed at Shawmut Mill. She helps in keeping the scrapbooks of letters published by her husband.

Brewster and granddaughter Donna

In local matters, Brewster is opposed to incorporation of the Valley towns, favors the wet side of the wet-dry vote for Chambers County, opposes any educational millage tax until the property appraisal program is completed, favors the general health tax and says the impact of the West Point Dam on the area will be tremendous.

The Langdale resident is an admirer of Governor George Wallace but hopes he will not run for President, because he believes it would endanger his life. He also admires Sen. Jim Allen and an autographed picture of the Alabama Senator is

on a desk in the Brewster living room.

He says he began to write poetry because he was alone at times, when his wife was at work and also that "a person must know some unhappy times and experience some bad luck in his life to write poetry." He says he has had his share of both but now he thinks God has been good to him and "I don't have an enemy in the world."

He likes to fish and once enjoyed hunting, but has given up this sport because he said it was too tiring to carry a gun in one hand and walking stick in the other. A heart illness has

Childhood Memories

Robert Brewster

My thoughts wander back to my
childhood days
And the old log house where I was
raised
I can see again the old white-oaks
The rolling hills and the gentle slopes.

I remember the yard where I used to
play
And the old syrup mill just down
the way
Again I hear those blue birds sing
And hear again the dinner bells ring.

Now the old syrup mill has long since
gone
And you hear no more the blue
bird's song
Now the farmer wears his watch
of gold
And you seldom hear dinner bells toll.

The old white-oaks have fallen down
Where the old house stood is barren
ground
But so long as I live and breathe
God's air
My fondest memories will be
back there.

The life of the farm has made a change
God's works of nature remains the same
We have valleys and streams and rolling
hills
And I pray to God that we always will.

Those childhood days were dear to me
Long since gone, never more to be
But even now as time speeds on
Memories flock back of days long gone.

I've watched the storm clouds rolling
high
As lightning flashed across the sky
I've seen the tree tops bending low
As the Swirling winds began to blow.
I've seen the day turn into gloom
As the rolling thunder crashed
and boomed

I've heard the patter of falling rain
As it splashed against my window pane.
I've seen the frost as white as snow
I've felt the chilly north winds blow
I've heard the wandering cattle calls
And I've seen the leaves of autumn fall.

I've fished the streams in early spring
I've listened to the birdies sing
I've tilled the soil from morn to night
And I've seen the wild geese in their
flight..

I've seen the fields of golden grain
I've smeared my face with poke-berry
stain
I've plucked the cherry from the tree
And I've been stung by the bumblebee.

I've sat by the lake when the water was
still
I've seen the blue of the distant hills
I've heard the coo of the mourning dove
As he sadly seeks for his long lost love.

I've heard the cry of the wary crow
As he warns the mates in the fields
below
And in the brush just out of sight
I've heard the whistle of the old
bobwhite.

I've seen the stars shoot through the sky
I've heard the eerie hoot-owls cry
I've seen the tumbling water falls
And I've heard the prowling bobcat
squall.

I've heard the yowl of the old tom-cat
I've heard the boo of the old bull-bat
And at early dusk out in the hills
I've heard the calls of the whip-o-wills.

I've heard the howl of the lonesome dog
I've heard the croak of the old bull frog
And I've seen on the darkest night
The distant glow of the city's light.

I've slept beneath the mellow moon
I've heard the hound dogs chase the
coon
I've watched the hawk as he flew high
A tiny speck up in the sky.

I've eaten the plum so ripe and sweet
I've roamed the hills in my bare
feet
I've tied the June bug with a string
And drunk cool water from the
bubbling spring.

I used to swim at the ole swimming hole
I've fished the creeks with a hook and
pole
I've often heard the mockingbird sing
And I've had fun on the grape vine
swing.

I've seen the wren in her friendly way
As she flitted about from day to day
Now the old blue jay, he has no shame
For he's always telling the world his
name.

Although my boyhood days are gone
I long to hear the blue bird's song
Again I'd like to roam those hills
Where I first heard the whip-o-wills.

Now after many years are past and gone
Those childhood memories still linger
on
Today life speeds at a reckless pace
Little time for prayer, little time for
grace.

So, this I ask when I pass away
Take me to the country and let me stay
Just dig me a grave six by three
And lay me to rest neath a white oak
tree.

I was born out there and I love it still
And I hope and pray that I always will
So when my life on earth has ceased
Please carry me back, let me rest in
peace.

Dear Lord I pray on bended knee
It be Thou will hear my plea
That I've lived my life in such a way
That my slate be clean on Judgement
Day

This last request ere I pass on
I want no slab no marble stone
Just let the sky look down on me
As I sleep there, neath the white oak
tree.

As I sleep here, beneath this tree
If there be one who cared for me
Someone to whom I had been dear
Stand by my grave and shed one tear.

Langdale, Alabama
Dec. 4, 1970

Dear Mr. Sharpe:

It was with genuine pleasure that I received your letter of December 1, and I sincerely thank you for your kind comments. It is good to know someone agrees with your position in such matters, then again someone who almost seems as kinfolks, as you might know I am originally from that area, having been born and lived for 21 years about two miles west of Penton, Alabama.

I am retired and unable to work part time. Therefore, other than my wife working, we are not too high in the wage bracket, but thankful to the Lord for what we have, and in looking around, we find ourselves so much better off than many others. Yes, sir, we have only to look around to see what wonderful blessings God has heaped upon us.

I am sorry to say that I don't read the Holy Book nearly as much as I should, but nowhere inside the covers of the good Book have I found any commands or teachings that advocate or urge the mixings of the races. Instead, as we know, there are many passages speaking against such misings.

Then, too, God created all things - animals, birds, fish and insects, none of which (except man) have integrated - even plants if inter-pollinated, will destroy the pure strain, and the resulting product will continue to deteriorate each passing year.

Surely no one with even common intelligence should ignore such set rules of nature as created by our Saviour. Had it not been for these everlasting set rules, we would never have had a reliable calendar, no eclipses could have been predicted, and finally no space programs could have existed. No moon shots or out of space forays could ever have been attempted. And still some of our Ministers preach race mixings from the pulpits.

I fear me when Christ will return (and it could be soon) there will be much wailings and gnashing of teeth among those that are today preaching such doctrines.

Again, sir, thank you for your nice letter, and it could be that we might visit you one of these days. (And he did visit us) JCS

Very sincerely yours,

Robert G. Brewster
5211 18th Avenue
Langdale, Alabama 36864

News From LaFayette

By MARJORIE
FLETCHER

Chambers County World War I Veterans enjoyed one of their best meetings on November 11. The meeting was called to order by E.C. Stephens, chairman, and everyone stood at attention in honor of those who had given their lives for their country.

After prayer, several songs were sung and the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. J. Cal Sharpe, secretary-treasurer, conducted a question and answer session on outstanding people and special events prominent during our wars.

Dr. A.R. Van Cleve was the featured speaker on his subject was the parable of the pounds from Luke chapter 19, with special emphasis on the word "faithful".

At lunch, barbecued chicken, salads, pastries, homemade rolls and ice cream were served to 20 members and six visitors. Present were Mr. and Mrs. E.K. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lowe, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Day, Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Sharpe, Mrs. Hattie Cole, Mrs. Mary Sharpe, Mrs. Eunice Mann, E.C. Stephens, Bud Sessions, Mrs. Tom Yates, Holly Newman, Andrew Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Wade Royston, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Bishop, Mr. and Mrs. A.R. Van Cleve.

A World I song, "Pack up Your Troubles in Your Old Kit Bag and Smile, Smile, Smile", was sung by all.



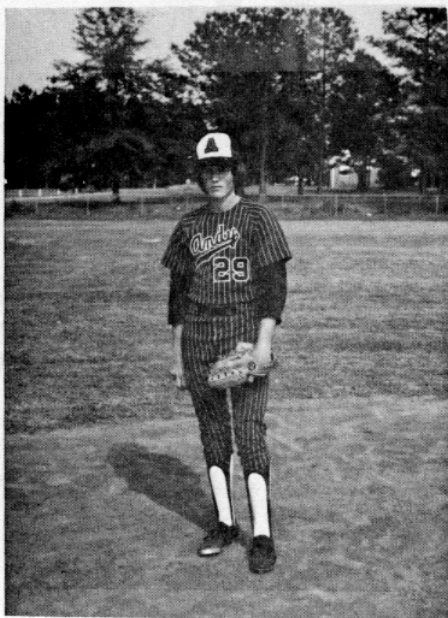
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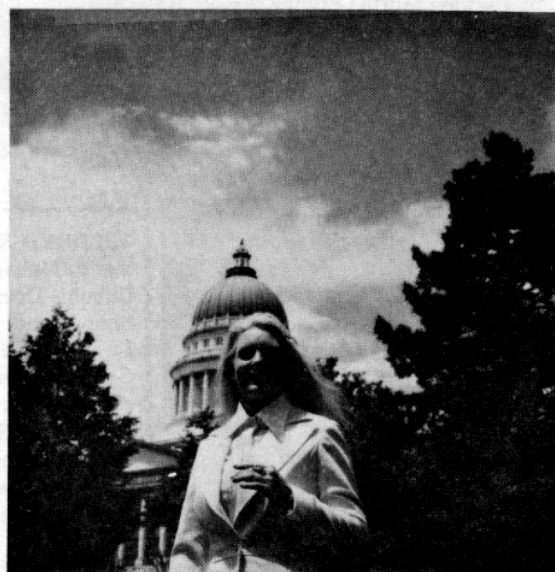
Bill Fuller, special assistant to Lt. Gov. Jere Beasley, presents to Governor George C. Wallace for his signature a program narrative and application for federal grant funds which will partially finance Alabama's state government reorganization project. The work is expected to take two years in development and an additional year to implement by law. By eliminating duplication of services and restructuring the more than 150 state executive agencies into a more streamlined and accountable form, the completed project will produce an initial savings of more than \$20 million to Alabama's taxpayers and an additional annual \$10 million reduction in the expense of operating state government.



Mr. & Mrs. John Rader Platt, Physics Professor of the University of Chicago and their two sons. They have just returned from a lecture tour of higher institutions of learning in many parts of Europe. His report is found on page 57 of the book, "On The Hills Of Home."



Gary Odom, great-great grandson of James Monroe Sharpe, pitched a little league shutout baseball game for Andalusia, Ala. Carrying on the tradition of games-playing prevalent in the Sharpe family.



*Eve Rhodes - July 1975
Salt Lake City, Utah*

Eve Rhodes, Salt Lake City, Utah
Descendant of Andrew Jackson Sharp, Texas

Sharpe Commissioned Navy Chaplain, Destroyer Fleet

The Rev. J. Larry Sharpe of Stamford, Connecticut, a former Langdalian and son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sharpe of Langdale, has been commissioned a chaplain in the United States Navy and expects to go on active duty in September of this year. He will attend chaplaincy school in Rhode Island for eight weeks after which he will be assigned to a destroyer fleet, based in Long Beach, Calif.

The Rev. Mr. Sharpe is now pastor of the Ridges United Methodist Church in Stamford, Conn. and also serves as Protestant chaplain at the Stamford Hospital.

He is a graduate of Valley High School in Fairfax. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Birmingham-Southern College in Birmingham, majoring in Greek, Religion and Philosophy, and was awarded the Master of Divinity degree from Duke University Divinity School in Durham, North Carolina.

During his undergraduate days at Birmingham-Southern



REV. J. LARRY SHARPE

College he served as president of the Freshman Class, a member of the Ministerial Association, Student Government Association, the Methodist Student Movement, the Honorary Greek fraternity Eta Sigma Phi, the Student Life Committee, and was an intra-mural Athletic All-Star at the college and vice-president of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity.

He was also selected for Who's Who in American

Colleges and Universities and was elected to Omicron Delta Kappa honorary fraternity.

He has also served two years in the United States Navy aboard a destroyer and troop carrier.

Upon graduation from Duke University Divinity School he served as associate pastor of the Lakewood United Methodist Church in Huntsville, and as pastor of the St. Luke United Methodist Church, also in Huntsville, Ala.

The Rev. Mr. Sharpe has completed two years of hospital chaplaincy training, one year at the Baptist Medical Center in Birmingham and one year at the Norwich State Hospital in Norwich, Conn.

He is married to the former Miss Jean Clark of Stratford, Conn., and they have two children, Christopher who is 15 months old and Beth Ann, who is five years old.

The family will move to Long Beach, Calif., the latter part of the year.

Great Grandson
of James M. Sharpe
and Laurella
Milford.



MILDRED SHARPE, Department Manager for Ladies' Casual Dresses, Maternity Shop and Hat & Wig Department for the new Gayfer's has had five years experience with the store. Mr. and Mrs. Sharpe reside in Opelika where he has been employed with Uniroyal for the past nine years. They are members of the First Baptist Church and the parents of four children, Mr. Ken Sharpe, Mrs. Vicki Whorton, Miss Joy Sharpe and Sgt. Larry Sharpe, Lackland AFB, San Antonio, Texas.

Mildred's husband, Monroe is a grandson of James Monroe Sharpe and Laurella Milford.

Mildred's contribution to this work has been to keep the author well stocked with scrap books.



MRS. ANDREW HILL BARNETT, III
(Story On C-3)



Lynda Sue Webb Becomes Bride Of Jerry Allen Toney

GADSDEN, Ala.— The wedding of Miss Lynda Sue Webb and Jerry Allen Toney was solemnized on September 14 at 3 p.m. in the Paden Baptist Church. Officiating minister for the ceremony was Rev. Harold Chandler.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alva Taylor Webb, Sr. of Auburn and the groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Louis Genoe Toney of Gadsden.

A program of nuptial music was presented on the

organ by Miss Angie Shell. The sanctuary was graced by a cathedral arch of lighted candles interwoven with greenery and a background of potted palms. Spiral candelabras bearing lighted candles and greenery stood to either side.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was radiant in an original gown of satin and imported chantilly lace. The gown featured a high neckline of sheer organza with lace border and the full sheer

cap. Mrs. Bill White of Panama City, Fla. attended her sister as matron of honor. She wore a gown of apricot Quiana jersey featuring floor length skirt, princess lines and full puff sleeves. Bridesmaids were

Mrs. Kent Campbell of Birmingham and Misses Hunter Smith and Lynn Newlin of Gadsden. They wore floor length gowns of printed daron voile in shades of yellow, gold, apricot and moss over gold satin. All the attendants carried bouquets of yellow, cream and apricot carnations, bronze and gold daisies, deep pink roses, baby's breath and lace fern.

SUZANNE WHITE, niece of the bride from Panama City, was flower girl. She wore a floor length gown of apricot Quiana jersey with puff sleeves and carried a white basket of carnations, daisies, baby's breath and lace fern.

Mr. Toney stood with his son as best man and groomsmen were Alva Taylor Webb Jr. of Auburn, brother of the bride; Jimmie Richardson, Mike Ursey and Rickey Brothers of Gadsden.

The bride's mother wore a floor length gown of almond green, lustrous featuring empire lines, long sleeves, and a ruffle at the neck and wrists. Her carriage was a deep yellow

Mrs. Kent Campbell of roebud. The mother of liams and Miss Leslie Methuin.

For their wedding trip to Florida, the bride departed in a luggage tan pants suit to a wide waistband and long full sleeves. She wore a white roebud corsage.

REHEARSAL DINNER Mr. and Mrs. Louis G. Toney entertained with a rehearsal dinner on September 13 honoring the bride and groom. It was held at the Toney's residence in Gadsden.

BRIDESMAIDS LUNCHEON

Miss Lynda Webb and Mrs. Alva Taylor Webb, Sr. were hostesses to a luncheon on September 13 at Amelia's honoring the bride and her attendants. Place cards with yellow roebuds marked places for Mrs. Bill White, Mrs. Kent Campbell, Misses Hunter Smith, Lynn Newlin, Suzanne White, Mrs. T.Y. Smith and Mrs. Louis G. Toney.

Miss Laura Methuin of Crossville, Tenn. registered the guests and Mrs. Frank Cleveland, aunt of the bride from Cornelia, Ga. served the bride's cake. Others assisting were Miss Jan Chitwood, Miss Melinda Buckner, Miss Becky Wil-



MRS. JERRY ALLEN TONEY

Great granddaughter of James Monroe and Laurella Milford Sharpe

Miss Sharpe, Mr. Wood Pledge Vows

WEST POINT, Ga.—Miss Wanda Diane Sharpe and James MacArthur Wood pledged their wedding vows at a ceremony taking place at the First Presbyterian Church in West Point on May 3, with the Rev. Jack Morris, church pastor, performing the impressive double-ring ceremony at 3 p.m.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas L. Sharpe of Shawmut and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Wood of Lanett.

THE ALTAR OF the church held an arrangement of daisy mums and was the background for the ceremony.

The nuptial selections were presented by Miss Marsha Stewart of Auburn and included "The Wedding Song" and "Love Is A Many Splendor Thing."

Miss Sharpe is a great granddaughter of James Monroe Sharpe and Laurella Milford.

The altar candles were lighted by Tim Perry of Lanett and Robert McClure of Fairfax.

THE LOVELY BRIDE was given in marriage by her father, who escorted her to the altar. She wore a gown of ivory organza and re-embroidered Alencon lace. The portrait neckline featured a square yoke outlined with lace appliques. The bodice of her gown was embellished with lace appliques and continued into the full skirt. The full bishop sleeves were also detailed with lace appliques and were cuffed with lace bands. The front of the bell skirt was embellished with lace appliques and also continued into the chapel train.

She wore a bridal veil of silk illusion and was entirely outlined with wide scalloped lace and she carried a bouquet of white daisies, pink rosebuds and white roses showered with maline puffs and satin ribbons.

Miss Mary Haynie of Fredonia served as maid of honor and bridesmaids were Miss Kaye Sharpe, sister of the bride of Shawmut, and Miss Sally Wood of Lanett, sister of the bridegroom. They wore identically designed gowns of summer print polyester styled with A-line skirts. The bodices were detailed at the neckline with a high collar which opened at the throat. They carried bouquets of white daisies, pink rosebuds and showered with gypsophila and satin ribbons.

LITTLE MISS TRACI Sharpe, sister of the bride, was the flower girl and she wore a white dress styled like the bride's attendants.

Mr. Wood stood with his

son as best man and usher-groomsmen were Tim Perry of Lanett and Robert McClure of Fairfax.

Bobby Wood, brother of the bridegroom carried the rings on a white satin pillow.

A RECEPTION WAS held in the Davis Hall of the church following the ceremony, with Mrs. Robert McClure of Fairfax, sister of the bridegroom presiding

at the bridal registry.

Serving the guests were Miss Susan Mulkey, Miss Terry DeLoach and Miss Loretta Werner.

For traveling on her honeymoon trip enroute to Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas, the bride chose an ensemble of peach polyester with beige accessories. The bridegroom is serving with the United States Air Force, based in San Antonio.



MR. AND MRS. JAMES MacARTHUR WOOD



The LaFayette High School graduating class of 1938 held a reunion recently. Back row, l. r. Alva Yates, Joe Shaver, Cenus Leverett Garrick, Vernon Sharpe, Harold Williams, Ruth Ragsdale Hinkle, Doris Lovelace Lee, Christine Lovelace Duke, Helen Jarrell Clark, -Nell Fuller Wilbanks; second row, Mary Frances Wilkerson Sims, Sara Schuessler Jones, Louise Lowe Cloud, Ruth Lamb Shaver, Dorothy Mitchell Underwood and Carolyn Coggins Bierley; front row, Robert M. Andrews, Helen Andrews Sheppard, Nell Longshore Whorton, Miss Louise Owen, Sara McWhorter Moore and O. D. Alsobrook.

Class Of 1938 LaFayette High

DURING WORLD War II, Wheeler served in the 43rd General Hospital in the European theatre and was recognized for his remarkable surgical skill.

He was elected a fellow in the American College of Surgeons in 1950, and was a member of the Southeast Surgical Congress and the American Medical Association.

SURVIVORS include his wife, Caroline Carmichael Wheeler; one son, Nicholas Aaron Wheeler III, Little Rock, Ark., and two daughters, Mrs. Carol Carmichael Wheeler Johnson and Mrs. James Wheeler Scott, both of LaFayette.

Johnson's Funeral Home in LaFayette is in charge of arrangements.

LAFAYETTE, Ala.—Dr. Nicholas A. (Nick) Wheeler Jr., one of East Alabama's most prominent physicians, died early Saturday in his home in LaFayette. He was 61.

Dr. Wheeler was a practicing physician in LaFayette for 34 years before retiring in 1974.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday from the First Baptist Church in LaFayette with the Rev. Mel Deason officiating. Interment will be in the LaFayette Cemetery.

GOV. GEORGE C. Wallace proclaimed Aug. 14, 1974 as "Nick Wheeler Day" in Alabama when a special "day" was held by citizens of LaFayette to honor their longtime friend



DR. WHEELER

and doctor. Auburn University Head Football Coach Ralph 'Shug' Jordan,

perhaps the doctor's most celebrated patient, was the principal speaker.

Jordan said at the "Nick Wheeler Day" ceremonies that he felt he owed his life to Dr. Wheeler's "dedication and curiosity," because the doctor had found and successfully removed a malignancy from his body in the 1960s.

DR. WHEELER also operated on Jordan for appendicitis shortly before the 1971 Gator Bowl game and the coach watched that year's Auburn team defeat Ole Miss while in a bed in Dr. Wheeler's LaFayette Hospital.

Following his retirement from private practice, Dr. Wheeler served with the Auburn University Student Health Center and last summer was named Chambers County's Health Officer. He also served for several years as a member of LaFayette City Council.



A NEW SPRING BONNET?

Shopping In Nassau Daughter of J. C. Sharpe
Nov. 1956

Although we know straw is the smartest thing for spring, we trust Anne Martin and Peggy Sharpe are not choosing their Easter bonnets in the native straw market in Nassau, where we see by the photograph they shop in solid comfort. They vacationed several days at the Prince George Hotel in Nassau, and enjoyed shopping expeditions to the open markets. Both of Montgomery, Anne resides at 1561 Gilmer Avenue, and Peggy at 1702 Sanford Avenue. Owner of a travel agency, Anne is practicing what she preaches.

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Mr. John C. Sharpe,
LaFayette,
Route 2,
Alabama.

Dear Mr. Sharpe:

I have your letter of June 22, relative to the "Sharpe Reunion". At the moment it seems impossible for us to attend, altho I admit we would love to be there, perhaps next year.

Inclosed herewith is a copy of a work sheet on the New Jersey Sharp family. Since the preparation of the sheet, we have added additional information from England back to Robert Sharp of Islington, who married 1513 Barbara Bacon.

As is usual these home projects, they drag. We have reams of material that must be co-related, but when we will get to it - that is the question. Mrs. Sharp threatens to get on with it, but something always seems to interfere.

We thank you for the invitation to attend the re-union. Don't forget us next year.

Very Sincerely,

Rolland A. Sharp

Rolland A. Sharp.

Star Times

Something Different— Praise for the U.S.A.!

EDITOR'S NOTE: In an era when it has become an international fashion to attack the United States, here's a refreshing change. Gordon Sinclair, a 73-year-old Canadian radio and TV commentator, made this editorial broadcast last summer. It has since been widely quoted in the United States and made into a recording which is No. 14 on the best-selling chart. At the request of readers we are passing Sinclair's comments along.

This Canadian thinks it is time to speak up for the Americans as the most generous and possibly the least appreciated people on all the earth. . . .

Germany, Japan and, to a lesser extent, Britain and Italy were lifted out of the debris of war by the Americans who poured in billions of dollars and forgave other billions in debts.

None of these countries is today paying on the interest on its remaining debts to the United States.

When the franc was in danger of collapsing in 1936, it was the Americans who propped it up, and their reward was to be insulted and swindled on the streets of Paris.

I was there. I saw it.

When distant cities are hit by earthquakes, it is the United States that hurries in to help. . . . This spring, 59 American communities were flattened by tornadoes. Nobody helped.

The Marshall Plan and Truman Policy pumped billions upon billions of dollars into discouraged countries.

Now newspapers in these countries are writing about the decadent, warmongering Americans.

I'd like to see just one of those countries that is gloating over the erosion of the United States dollar build its own airplanes.

Come on, let's hear it!

Does any other country in the world have a plane equal to the Boeing Jumbo Jet, the Lockheed Tristar or the Douglas 10?

If so, why don't they fly them? Why do all the international lines except Russia fly American planes?

Why does no other land on earth even consider putting a man or woman on the moon?

You talk about Japanese technocracy, and you get radios. You talk about German technocracy, and you get automobiles.

You talk about American technocracy, and you find men on the moon — not once but several times — and safely home again.

You talk about scandals, and the Americans put theirs right in the store window for everybody to look at.

Even their draft-dodgers are not pursued and hounded. They are here on our streets, and most of them — unless they are breaking Canadian laws — are getting American dollars from Ma and Pa at home to spend here. . . .

When the railways of France, Germany and India were breaking down through age, it was the Americans who rebuilt them.

When the Pennsylvania Railroad and New York Central went broke, nobody loaned them an old caboose. Both are still broke.

I can name you 5,000 times when the Americans raced to the help of other people in trouble.

Can you name me even one time when someone else raced to the Americans in trouble?

I don't think there was outside help even during the San Francisco earthquake.

Our neighbors have faced it alone, and I'm one Canadian who is damned tired of hearing them kicked around.

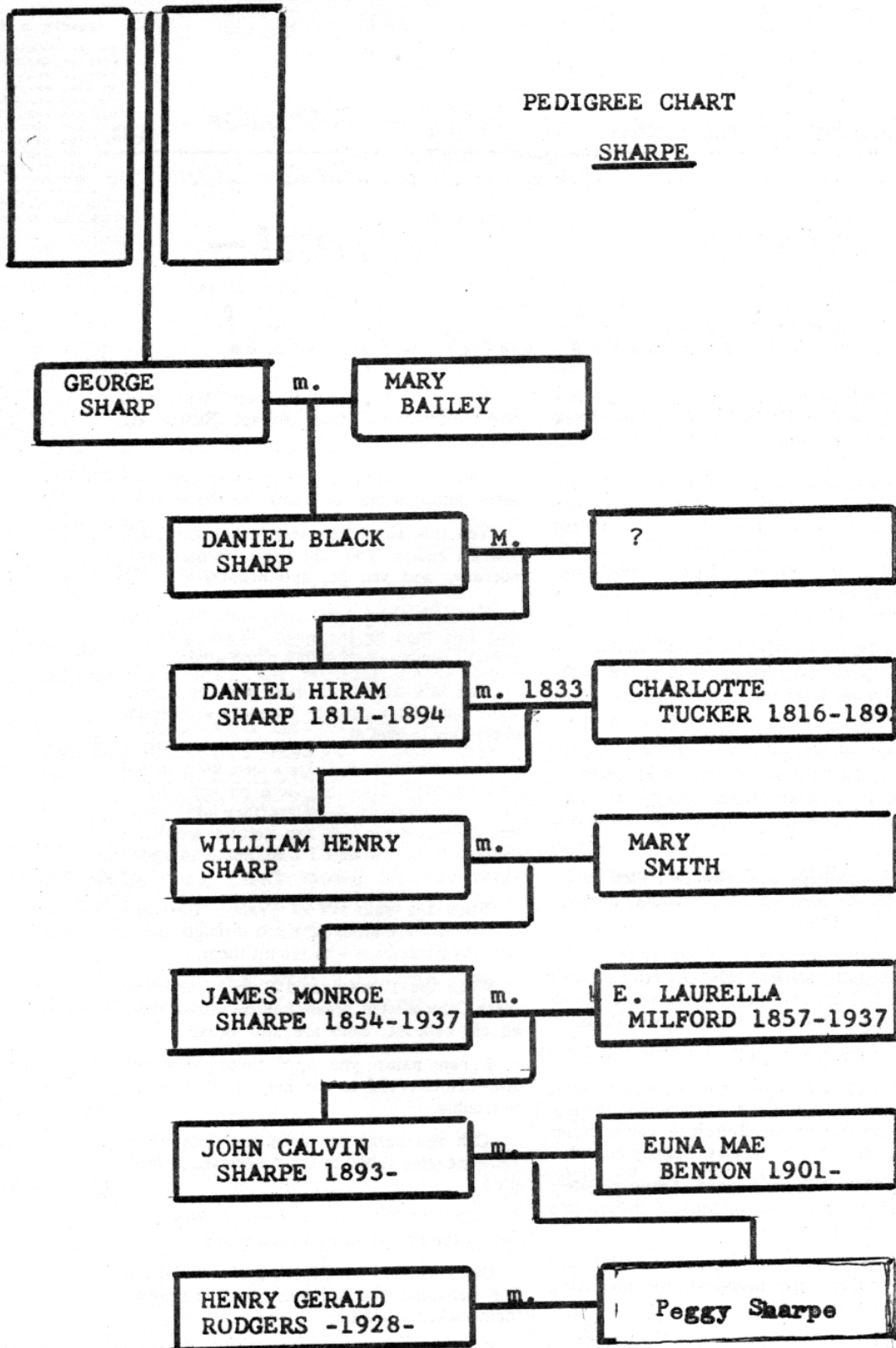
They will come out of this thing with their flag high.

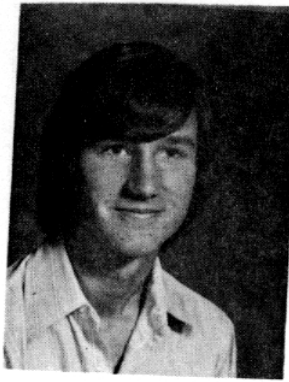
And when they do, they are entitled to thumb their nose at the lands that are gloating over their troubles.

I hope Canada is not one of these. . . .

PEDIGREE CHART

SHARPE

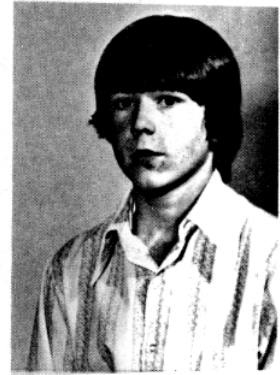




Gerry Jr.



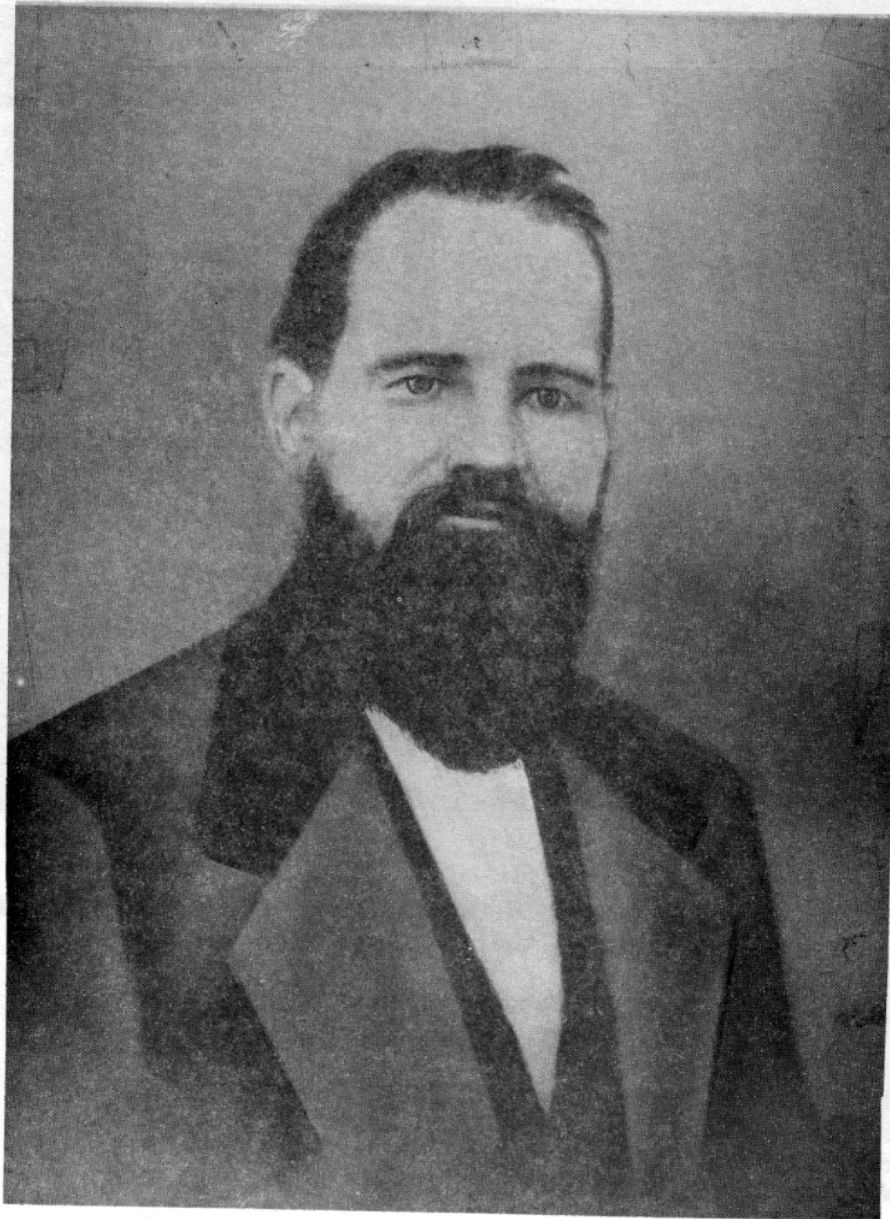
Martha Jane
1976



Jimmy

Mr. and Mrs. J. Cal Sharpe surrounded by their grandchildren
Left to right: Jim and Gerry Rodgers, Mr. and Mrs. Sharpe,
Martha Jane Rodgers and Judy Cassidy. November 25, 1971





Andrew Jackson Sharpe, 1836-1928, (son of Daniel Hiram Sharpe 1811-1894)
Civil War veteran in battle of Monitor and the Merrimac, last survivor of
the Merrimac, from Texas. Me was a member of the Merrimac crew throughout
the battle at Hampton Roads, Virginia in 1862.

This photograph of our great Uncle Andrew Jackson Sharpe, came from our cousins,
Hon. Thomas D. Anderson and Helen Sharpe Anderson of Houston, Texas, mentioned
elsewhere in this complimentary work.



Photo of Andrew Jackson Sharp, and wife, Sarah Jane, their children and grandchildren, taken in 1907, in front of their home, under the cedars.

Listed below from left to right -- Bottom row		Age	Born
1.	Archie Gray, Aunt Georgia's son	13	1894
2.	Annie L. Gray, Aunt Georgia's daughter	15	1892
3.	Pauline McCrary (Rhodes) Aunt Victoria's daugh.	8	1899
4.	Raymond Gray, Aunt Georgia's son	11	1896
5.	McCrary, William Joseph, Aunt Victoria's son	7	1900
Top Row, Left to Right			
6.	Grandfather, Andrew Jackson Sharp	69	1838
7.	William Lee Sharp, son	36	1871
8.	Grandmother, Sarah Jane Sharp	53	1854
9.	Andrew Jackson Sharp, Jr.	23	1884
10.	Stephenson, Aunt Millie	?	?
11.	Stephenson, Uncle John	?	?
12.	Georgia L. Sharp Gray Page	34	1873

The above photo and information was furnished to us by Alvah and Pauline Rhodes of Tulsa, Oklahoma and their daughter, Eve Rhodes of Salt Lake City, Utah. Picture of Eve Rhodes appears elsewhere in this work.



Hon. John Henry Sharpe 1873 -- 1957
Son of Andrew Jackson Sharpe, Robertson County, Texas
Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Texas

We are indebted to Helen Sharpe Anderson of Houston, Texas for this photograph of her father.

Aug. 28, 1975.

CHART #1
SHARP GENEALOGY

PEDIGREE CHART

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LaFayette, Alabama 36862
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1 John Henry Sharp 1873
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WHERE Robertson Co. Texas
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Mary Elizabeth Brown

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2 Helen Louise Sharp
BORN 10 June 1916
WHERE Ennis, Texas
WHEN MARRIED 21 Feb., 1938
DIED
WHERE Living

Thomas Dunaway Anderson
NAME OF HUSBAND OR WIFE
Born 9 March 1912
Okla. City, Okla.
When married 21 Feb. 1938
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WAS OBTAINED. REFER TO NAMES
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(Indian War 1832-18)

Hiram

Daniel/Sharp

BORN 1 Oct. 1811
WHERE Baldwin Co. Georgia
WHEN MARRIED 26 June, 1833
DIED 19 Oct. 1894 Ala.
WHERE Wedowee, Randolph Co.

BORN 16 Nov. 1816
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Thomas D. Anderson
Southwest Tower
Houston, Texas 77002
July 13, 1973

Mr. John Cal Sharpe
Route 2
LaFayette, Alabama 36862

Dear Mr. Sharpe:

I have just learned from Dr. J. E. Low, of Canyon, Texas, who recently visited you, that you are a cousin of my wife, whose maiden name was Helen Louise Sharp. She is a daughter of the late John H. Sharp, who served for many years as an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of Texas. Judge Sharp was a son of Andrew Jackson Sharp, and I understand your grandfather was a brother of Andrew Jackson Sharp.

Dr. Low also told me of a book you have published concerning your ancestors and I wonder if it would be possible for us to be furnished with a copy. According to some other cousins in Georgia, the first of the line was Daniel Black Sharp, of Maryland, of whom nothing more is known, and the next generation is represented by Daniel Sharp, born in Maryland in 1811 and died in Alabama in 1895. He is said to be buried in Randolph County, Alabama, at Mount Prospect Church, 10 miles west of Wedowee, Alabama. His wife was Charlotte Patterson Sharp, born in Tennessee in 1836 and died in 1928. As noted, my wife's grandfather, Andrew Jackson Sharp, was a child of this union and he died in Robertson County, Texas in 1928. In fact, we saw his grave and that of his two wives -- I believe he married them in succession, not the other way -- last week end.

My wife is to be nominated for the Colonial Dames and she is very interested in establishing authoritatively her descendancy from Daniel Black Sharp, as well as proving that he was here prior to the American Revolution, if such can be proved.

We will be most grateful for any information you can furnish. We are to attend some meetings in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, in January and perhaps at that time we can greet you in person. Meantime, a written reply will be most welcome.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas D. Anderson

Dear Euna and Cal,

Our visit with you recently has meant so much to Tommy and me, and also to the other members of my family to whom I have sent your book, "On The Hills Of Home". We are all very interested and appreciative of all that you have done to record the Sharpe family history, and we hope to continue the research by using the material that you have provided us. We have a genealogist presently working in Georgia, and we will keep you informed of her findings. I was in Austin last weekend visiting my mother and found a photograph of Andrew Jackson Sharpe. We are having copies made and will send you one as soon as possible. Are there any others that you would be interested in having? Tommy and I both appreciate Euna's gracious invitation to have lunch with you and regretted that our travel schedule would not permit our accepting. We thoroughly enjoyed the delicious pound cake and cupcakes. It was so thoughtful of Euna to send us off with such delectable goodies. Tommy joins me in thanking you for making our visit such a pleasant one. We will keep in touch with you and our genealogical findings.

Fondly,

Helen Anderson

December, 1970

Dear Ones,

Jonathan's homecoming in July was the highlight of the year for the Lows. He finished his tour as a Journeyman teacher in Nigeria in June and traveled for several weeks through the Near East and Europe. His arrival brought Martha and Bill and Grandmother for a visit. Now enrolled in Southern Seminary, Jon is studying Social Work.

Martha and Bill (Clough) moved to Beaumont in January where Bill took a position with the Beaumont Enterprise as a photographer and Martha worked at Lamar Tech as a grad assistant in English. Bill began work December 28th with the Houston Chronicle, so they're now in the process of moving again and are excited over living and working in Houston.

David, our high school senior, is the highest Low at 6'1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ". His life revolves around scout, school, and church activities. He represented his district at a scout report to the governor in Austin early in the year, worked again during the summer at camp, and went with a troop of handicapped scouts to the National Convention for Disabled Veterans in Los Angeles. Youth choir and drama are his main church interests.

Rachel (Toscano) worked this summer for Texas Baptists in the River Ministry at Carrizo Springs. She returned this fall for her third year at West Texas State, and became a member of Alpha Chi National Scholastic Fraternity. In December she was elected to serve on the Christian Life Commission for Texas Baptists.

Anita helped with some G. A. camps in the area this summer. She is on the missions committee at church, and continues to enjoy Penwomen and art projects. She made a good recovery from surgery in September.

Edwin had a spring vacation trip to Alabama to visit relatives and the birthplaces of both of his parents. At year's end he went in the hospital with a ruptured intervertebral disc. We're hoping these two weeks in traction will make surgery unnecessary. A friend explained to someone that Edwin sprained his back singing Vivaldi's Gloria (our choir Christmas presentation).

Our family reunion at Christmastime was wonderful. It pleases us that the children always enjoy going through the cards to catch up on your news. Friends and family become dearer to us all each year of our lives. We are grateful for the Lord's blessings and pray that He will guide each of us through the New Year.

Ed had surgery, is now home getting well hope your health is good. We planned a Nov. trip to Ala. but could not make it. You have a lot of family information which we are interested in.

The J. E. Low Family



Dear Cousin John,

I am Pauline Rhodes, 114350 Newport, Tulsa, Oklahoma, 74120. Telephone LU-7 2732. I am the granddaughter of Andrew Jackson Sharp, of Nesbit, Texas. My mother was Victoria Sharp, and she then married Dr. L.P. McCrary, and they had a son, my half-brother, Joe McCrary. They are all deceased.

I want to thank you for writing your wonderful book on the Sharp ancestry. I have read it once, parts several times, and plan to read more. I am extremely proud of our ancestry and would like to meet all of them. The reunions seem most interesting and know they are very rewarding and you have deserved much happiness and pleasure because of them.

I am married to Alvah M. Rhodes, a wonderful man. We have a wonderful and delightful family, of which we are extremely proud. The only one left of Aunt Georgia's side of the family is Raymond Gray or John R. Gray, who lives in Beaumont, Texas, 2860 Lakeview Circle. His wife's name is Ardessa, and they have no children. Uncle John Sharp's wife is still living in Austin, Texas, and I believe that she is 84. Uncle Will Sharp, who lived in Pryor, Oklahoma, is deceased, as well as his wife. Their only son, Bill, lives in Lake Wales, Oklahoma, and is the only survivor of that side. Uncle Jay's 1st and 2nd wives are both living, also all of his children. My husband and I are 79 and 76. I am still playing for the Tulsa School of Ballet as I have for the last 32 years, and I enjoy this very much. Alvah is still working for the H & S Drilling Company. We own 105 acres on Grand Lake, a cabin and boat dock extending quite a distance out into the lake. This is like Heaven to us. Boating, swimming, fishing and skiing are our favorite pasttimes. We are both nature lovers.

Thanks again for writing the wonderful book. We hope to meet you and many of our other cousins some day.

Alvah and Pauline Rhodes -- Their daughter, Eve, is shown in a photograph elsewhere in this work. She has a position with the Genealogy Department in Salt Lake City.

I, J. Calvin Sharpe, am indebted to the Rhodes and their daughter for the reprint of the Andrew Jackson Sharp and Sarah Jane Sharp family photo, made in 1907 in front of their home on Becks Prairie.

The record of achievements of each individual shown in this picture would fill a sizeable book itself. The "Zest" for writing by Uncle Jack Sharp, son of Daniel Hiram and Charlotte Tucker, was proudly referred to by his daughter, Georgia L. Sharp Gray Page, during her declining years of a long and fruitful life. Further proof of Uncle Jack's zest for writing is not only shown in his wonderful report of the Battle of the Monitor and the Merrimac, as shown as pages 14, 15, 16 and 17 of "On The Hills Of Home", but he also made several reports back home to our local newspaper, concerning his farming operations in Texas, and his brother John, who had an orange grove in Florida, jokingly accused his brother, Jack, of killing his grove with a Texas Northers. One other incident my family remembers about Uncle Jack Sharp, was the large hole he shot in our smoke house door with a gun he brought back from the Civil War on his way back out west.



815 Azalia
Lake Jackson, Texas
July 13, 1976 77566

Dear John Cal;

Regarding a family Photo I found very few in my mothers old Photo's, however, we did find one of my Dad and Mother and me.

My Dad, Andrew Jackson (Jay) Sharp M.D. and mother Jimmie McGaw Sharp were living in St Louis Mo. at the time, since my father was attending Medical School. I was born in St Louis and I, Floyd Wayne Sharp is the baby in the photo.

I am sixty Seven years old, and I probably am under one year of age in the picture, my mother is 87, still alert but not sure of my age.

Also in the information I sent you I failed to mention that Bobby Jack Sharp Sr, served on active duty of the Korean War.

Sorry it has taken so many weeks to obtain picture, have reprint made and get it off to you.

Hope that you and your family are well and having a nice summer.

Sincerely Yours,
Floyd Wayne Sharp.

Lineage of Andrew Jackson and Sarah Jane Sharp (Taylor Points)

Andrew Jackson (Jay) Sharp, Jr., M.D. Son of above , b Oct. 4, 1885, Robertson Ct., Texas
d Oct. 4, 1937. Buried Crandall Cemetery, Crandall, Texas
1st marriage -- Jimmie McGaw, b Robertson Cty, Texas, Sept. 15, 1889,

Children of this marriage:

1. Floyd Wayne Sharp b March 3, 1909
2. Helen Frances Sharp b Feb. 5, 1916, Robertson Cty. Texas
3. Juanita Marie Sharp b Jan. 7, 1920 " " "

Floyd W. Sharp m Opal Seigler, May 16, 1926 Their issue:

1. Bobby Jack Sharp, Sr. b Aug 11, 1929, Robertson Cty. Texas

Bobby Jack Sharp, Sr. m Doris Jean Vick, Feb. 14, 1953 Their issue:

1. Barbara Jean Sharp b Dec. 5, 1953
2. Bobby Jack Sharp, Jr. b Sept. 7, 1955
3. Patricia Lynn Sharp b Aug 28, 1957
4. Carolyn Ann Sharp b Aug. 5, 1961

Bobby Jack Sharp, Sr. died and was buried at Franklin, Texas, 7/7/1973

2nd marriage of Floyd Wayne Sharp Ilene Scott Dec. 29, 1945 at Wills Point, Texas
Their son, Glenn Michael was born at Freeport, Texas April 20, 1951
He married Brenda Mae Barnes at Raymondsville, Texas, on July 22, 1972
Brenda Mae was born Dec. 3, 1953 at Raymondsville, Texas.

Helen F. Sharp, 2nd child of Jay Sharp and Jimmie McGaw, m George Johnson
on November 20, 1937. George born Feb. 22, 1906. Died Dec. 22, 1948.

Their son, Douglas Johnson, b Feb. 24, 1939, Houston, Texas, Harris County
Married Lynn Saunders, of Anchorage, Alaska, on May 25, 1962. Their children:

1. Dara Johnson, b April 26, 1965, Houston, Texas, Harris County
2. Nalen Johnson b April 24, 1967, " " " "
3. Skane Johnson b Oct. 29, 1968 " " " "

Helen's second marriage to Jack Keener, February 18, 1967, b July 10, 1909
Thurber, Texas

Juanita Marie Sharp , 3rd child of Jay Sharp and Jimmie McGaw

Married Melvin Wright Sheffield, March 13, 1944. Melvin b August 6, 1911
d April 24, 1975, Kirbyville, Texas. Their children:

1. Sharon Sheffield, b Feb. 13, 1947, m Robert Powell, b Jan. 7, 1944
Their children: Kelli Powell, b Dec. 18, 1969, Houston Cty, Texas
Eric Powell, b July 25, 1972, " " "

The 2nd marriage of Andrew Jackson (Jay) Sharp, M. D. was to Katie Henderson
Clarkson, b Dec. 14, 1901, Married Oct. 15, 1924 in Texas

The children of this marriage:

1. Bettie Sue Sharp, b February 15, 1929 -- m Morris A. Adams 7,26,1948
Morris b February 15, 1926, in Texas.

Their children:

1. Cathie Lou Adams (Bagley) b July 10, 1949 in Dallas, Texas
2. Anniece Adams b January 9, 1951, Dallas, Texas
3. Jerra Rhea Adams b July 16, 1952 " "



MANAGEMENT CHANGES

Two changes affecting the management of Gulf Oil Corporation were announced recently. Archie D. Gray, a Senior Vice President, has retired after 26 years of association with the Corporation. Royce H. Savage, formerly U. S. District Judge for the Northern District of Oklahoma, became General Counsel of Gulf Oil Corporation, effective November 1, 1961.

Mr. Gray, a native of Franklin, Texas, studied engineering at Texas A. & M. College prior to serving in the Army during World War I. When he returned to civilian life he began studying law at The University of Texas, receiving his degree in 1923. Shortly after graduation, he was elected Mayor of Ennis, Texas, and later served as District Attorney at Waxahatchie, Texas, and Assistant Attorney General of Texas, in charge of oil and gas matters.

Mr. Gray joined Gulf's Law Department in Houston as a trial attorney in 1935. He was appointed Associate General Attorney for The Gulf Companies in 1947. In 1953 he was transferred to Pittsburgh, where he later served as Associate General Counsel and General Counsel. He was elected a Vice President in 1957 and a Senior Vice President in 1958.

Dear Cousin John,
What a delightful surprise to hear from a real cousin! A year ago, I am sure that I could have answered with pride and the old Jackson Sharpe Zest. I reverence the memory of my father, so I'm sending you a clipping from an old time copy of Calvert paper. I've heard father speak of Uncle John Sharpe, who had an orange grove in Florida, that was killed by a real Texas norther. Jackson Sharpe, or Uncle Jack, as so many commonly called him, brought cousin Cattie and cousin Mittie to Texas, and cared for them until they married pretty good men.

Now, something of myself. Twice I've been married. My first husband was killed and I was left with 3 small children, 2 boys and a girl. Then my daughter met with a tragic death, leaving 2 boys, which I cared for until their father remarried. Now, my two sons take care of me. Archie D. Gray lives in Pittsburgh, Pa. He is active Vice President of Gulf Oil. My other boy lives in Beaumont, Texas. They are both graduates of the University of Texas and take beautiful care of their crippled and blind old mother.

Serry I can't give the information you want. I'm blind. I'm sending a clipping of my father's war record. Guard it with you life and please return.

Love,

Georgia L. Sharpe Page, Wilshire Village Dunlavy Court South, Apt. #10
Houston 6, Texas.



The Bentons -- Children of Aileen Sharpe Benton --daughter of Dewitt Clinton Sharpe, son of Daniel Hiram and Charlotte Tucker Sharpe
Left to right -- Novie Jane, Archie Millard, Myrtis LeMerle, Noel Patrick Euna Mae Benton Sharpe, and James Percy



The Bentons - above Benjamin Bryant, wife Aileen Sharpe
 Children: Euna Mae and Archie Millard
 Below: Left to right: Mrs. N. P. Benton, Novie Jane
 George Williamson, Myrtis, Peggy Sharpe Rodgers,
 A. Millard, Sarah Cline. J. P. & Susan Benton



Family Record of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Bentley Sharp - Son of Dewitt Clinton Sharp
Lookout Mountain, Fort Payne, Dekalb County, Alabama

Daniel Bentley Sharp b May 28, 1873 d Jan. 4 1920 m
Sallie Lurene Leverett b Aug 6, 1877 d April 24, 1966

Children:

1. Berta Adell Sharp Thompson b Feb. 26, 1900, d Sept. 21, 1930
2. Katie Lou Sharp Camp b Sept. 3, 1901
3. Howard Bentley Sharp b July 24, 1903 d April 15, 1905
4. Emmer Ruth Sharp Burt b April 17, 1906
5. Janie Louenda Sharp Wade b Aug 8, 1908
6. John Marrion Sharp b May 27, 1910
7. Andrew Willard Sharp b Aug 16, 1915
8. Ellen Ophelia Sharp Mills b Feb. 15, 1919

Married

Adell and Drayton Thompson Feb. 3, 1920 No children
Katie Lou and Grady Camp Sept. 12, 1920 1 boy
Ruth and Andrew Burt Jan. 1, 1922 4 boys, 3 girls
John Sharp and Mattie Wade Dec. 8, 1929 2 boys, 1 girl
Louenda and Oscar Wade Dec. 14, 1923 2 boys, 3 girls
Willard Sharp and Dixie Arther 2 girls, 2 boys
Ellen and Bill Mills Nov. 9, 1937 2 girls

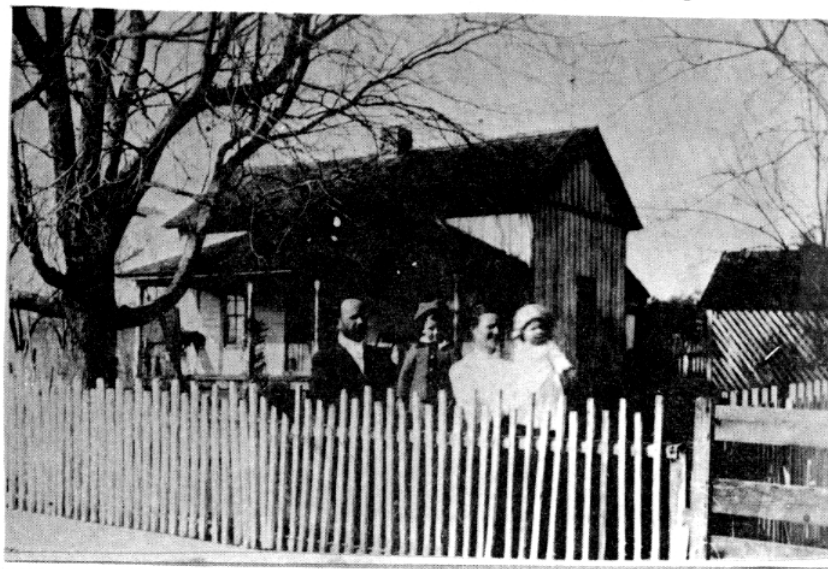
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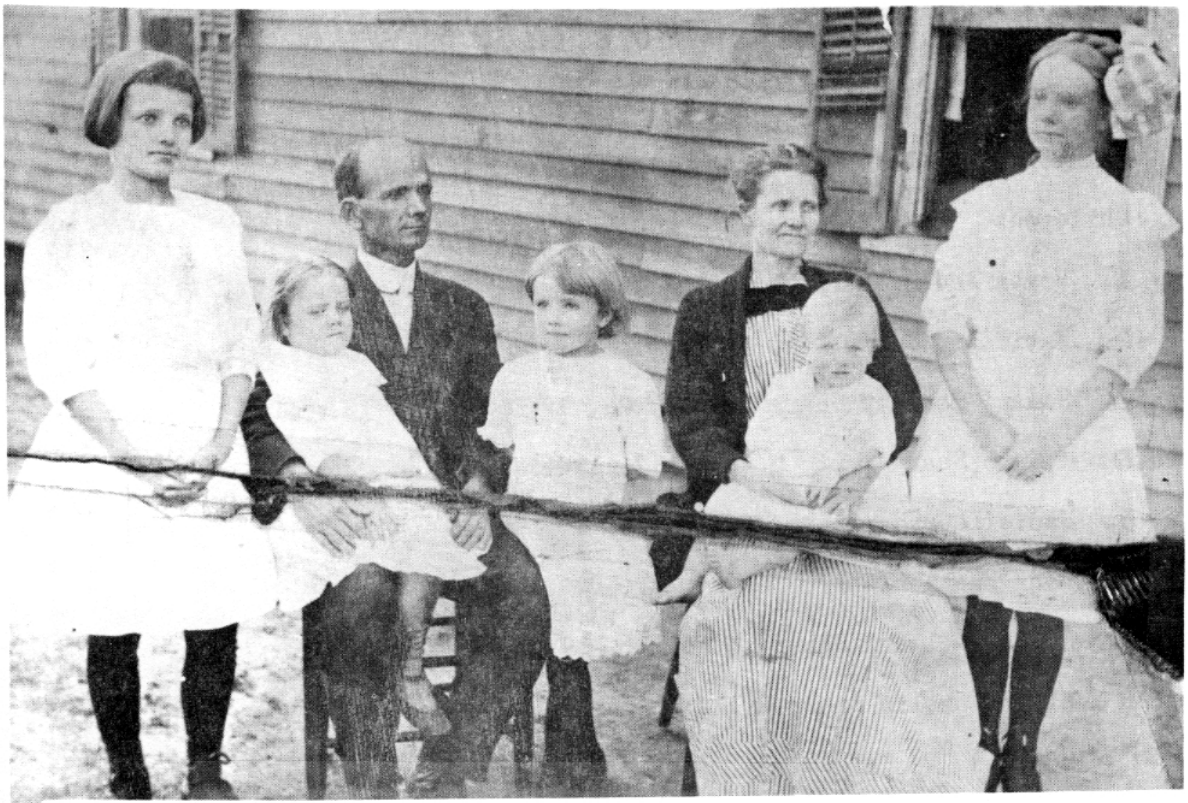
William Camp and Ivarie Suttles m March 29, 1941 2 boys, Terry, Clemon

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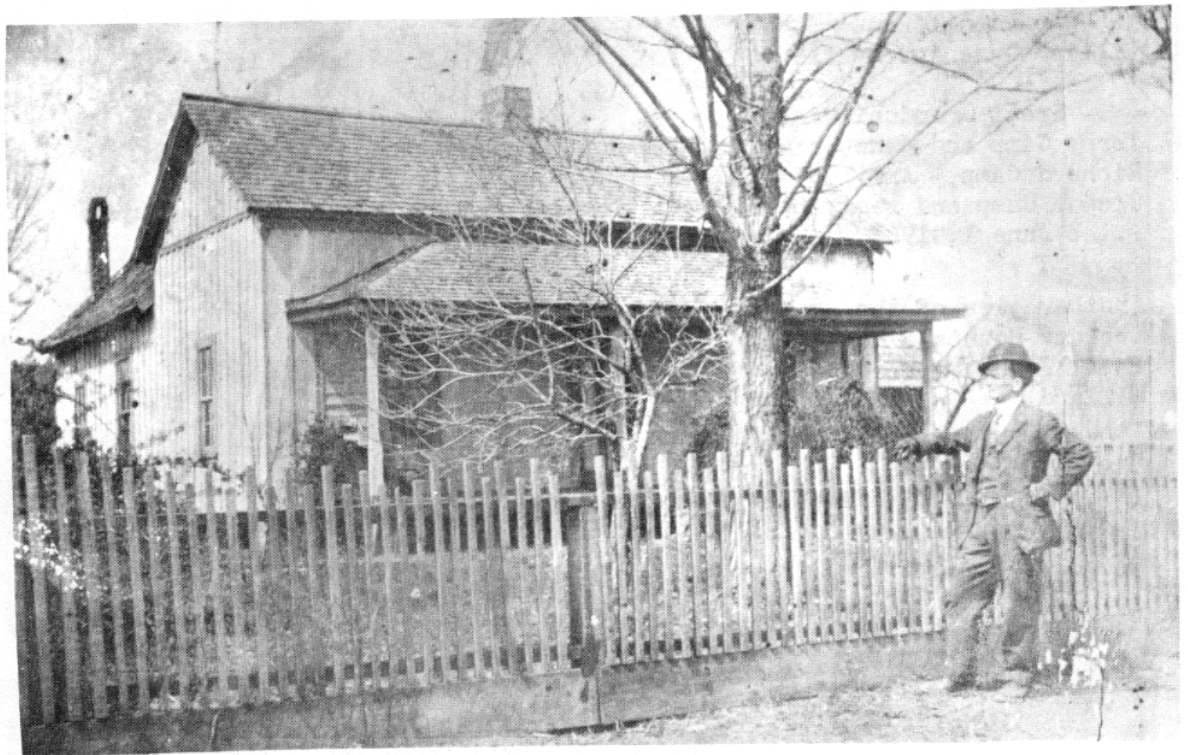
Terry Camp and Jane Groat m Nov. 23, 1963 2 boys, Richard and William
Richard Camp b April 5, 1968 William b April 19, 1969
Clemon Camp and Becky Hass m Aug. 28, 1969 1 boy, John Harrison Camp
b June 1, 1967

Another view of the
Lookout Mountain home
Papa, John, Mama and
Willard.





Daniel Bently Sharpe: Son of DeWitt Clinton Sharpe
 Wife, Sallie Lurene Leverett, Children, Left to Right
 Katie Lou, Louenda, Ruth, John and Adell.
 Below: Daniel Bently, proud Papa, stands in front
 of the home he bought before moving to Lookout Mtn.



Family Record Of Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Jackson.

Residence-Sand Mountain, Near Fort Payne, DeKalb County Alabama.

Husb-Reuben Jackson; b-Oct. 4, 1874, d-Feb. 16, 1935.

Wife-Florella Sharp Jackson; b-March 4, 1872, d-Mar. 15, 1956.

Children-

1-Bessie Beatrice Jackson; b-May 14, 1896.

2-Lera Lee Jackson; b-May 10, 1898.

3-Alberta Jackson; b-May 31, 1900, d-Aug. 1, 1933.

4-Luna Myrtle Jackson; b-Nov. 23, 1901, d-Nov. 25, 1963.

5-Willie Pearl Jackson; b-July 26, 1903.

6-Allene Jackson; b-April 12, 1905.

7-Marvie Dewitt Jackson; b-Oct. 12, 1906.

8-Edith Odessa Jackson; b-Oct. 7, 1908, d-May 29, 1966.

9-Alice Muleila Jackson; b-Aug. 16, 1911.

Marriage, Dates

Reuben Jackson and Florella Sharp; m-Oct. 23, 1894.

Bessie Jackson and Oscar Mims; m-Jan. 12, 1913.

Lera Jackson and Colman Land; m-Dec. 25, 1916.

Alberta Jackson and D. W. Brooks; m-Oct. 1917.

Luna Jackson and John Bishop; m-Oct. 1916.

Willie Jackson and Eslin Vaughn; m-May 1, 1922.

Alene Jackson and Carmie Vaughn; m-April 24, 1922.

Harvie Jackson and Irene Murdock; m-Dec. 27, 1930.

Edith Jackson and Ray Milligan; m-July 21, 1928.

Alice Jackson and Johnie McGriff; m-4 chil, Keneith, Gennett, 2, deaths.

Jackson-Sharp, Grand-Children. Oscar and Bessie Mims.

1-Curtis Albert Mims; b-Dec. 31, 1913.

2-Leila Beatrice Mims; b-Feb. 24, 1922, d-Dec. 20, 1922.

3-Ruby Gay Mims; b-April 13, 1924 no children.

4-Ruby Mims and Bernice Frazer, m-Aug. 25, 1940.

Albert Mims, and Laura Franklin Shelby m-Feb. 6, 1932.

Their children-Armilda, Ann, Elaine and Juddy.

Ardath Ethlyn Land; b-Nov. 5, 1919, Laura Daughter.

Catherine Land, b-Nov. 2, 1922, d-Nov. 4, 1922.

Leura Jackson, Colman Land Family Con't.

John Colman Land d-March 30, 1934.

Their Children-

- 1-Irdath Elthlyn Land m-Hodge Brizzell, June 26, 1937.
- 2-Calvin Lee Landm-Ola Pilcher, Mar. 7, 1937.
- 3-Flora Gean Land, m-Luther Carden, b-Dec. 25, 1928, m-.

John Bishop and Luna Jackson family record.

- 1-Ruben Eslin Bishop; b-7-27-21.
- 2-Opal Florella Bishop; b-7-11-23.
- 3-Dortha Nell Bishop; b-11-7-26.
- 4-Margarett Helen Bishop; b-8-28-28.
- 5-Ruth Bishop; b-1-28-30.
- 6-Gladys Margaree Bishop; b-6-9-31.
- 7-Mary Lucille Bishop; b-1-7-33.
- 8-Dorris Gene Bishop; b-10-29-36.

Marriages-

Robin Eslin Bishop; m-Petty Hicks.
Dortha Nell Bishop; m-Robert Bates, May 20, 1944.
Lera Jackson Land, m-2nd time William Arvin Stone.
Armilda Mims, m-James H. Covention Oct. 20, 1943.
Ann Mims m-Sidney Eugene Newton, Feb. 24, 1959.
Elaine Mims m-David F. Galloway Aug. 9, 1958.
Edith Jackson and Ray Strater Millican

Children-

- 1-Charles Loyd Millican, m-
- 2-Mary Alice, b-Aug. 44, 1936, d-Aug. 3, 1937.
- 3-Marchell Millican, b-March 13, 1943. m-Ruth Johnson -12-27-1962.

Bashaw, Alberta, Canada
January 4, 1971

Dear Cousin Calvin:

Back to school again for me. My little pupils were unusually well-behaved and full of Christmas news.

My daughter, her husband and baby daughter have been with me for a nice visit. They live 500 miles away in Saskatchewan, so we see each other only about twice a year. We spent Christmas Day and several days more with my older daughter 100 miles from here on their farm north of Hanna. There are three little grandchildren-- each of my three children has one.

You asked for information about my father, Frank:

Franklin Pierce Sharp was born in Chambers County, Alabama near Buffalo on August 17, 1853. He was married in 1876 to Ella McCarley. At the age of 27 in 1880 they left Alabama for the farm 10 miles from Langton, Kansas in Elk County. His parents later spent some time there living in a small house on the same farm. My mother remembered seeing them-- a nice looking kindly couple, Grandpa with white hair and beard, Grandma silver haired with rosy pleasant face and both dressed neatly in black.

To Mary Ella and Frank were born 9 children as follows:
Theodore Clinton, Odessa Ella, Luther Hiram, Bertha Olive,
Otis (died as an infant), Ursula Charlotte, Preston Roe, Gladys
Alvera and Ruth (the last two were twins and Ruth died in
infancy)

When Gladys was about 2 years old her mother died. Mary Ella had been troubled with asthma all her life. I do not know what disease actually caused her death.

Two years after losing his first wife Franklin was married in 1899 to Alice Elizabeth Rule, a school teacher. To them were born four children:

Faye (died at a few days of age), Hobert Rule in 1903, George Franklin in 1906, and Ferne Elizabeth in 1908.

Frank Sharp was always interested in evangelism. He was instrumental in building a mission church on his own farm in Kansas, the supply ministers staying in his home as a rule. This interest continued throughout his life as he was anxious to see all his family and neighbors become real christians.

In 1911 he and the younger family moved to Alberta. Several of the older children had settled here a few years earlier, that

is Theodore, Odessa, Luther and Bertha. He purchased a farm about 6 miles west of the village of Bashaw--about 150 miles north and east of Calgary. Here he lived until his death in 1933 of cancer--just a few days short of 80 years of age.

All 10 of his children who grew to adults were married having 28 grand children, also two adopted grand children. Most of these grand children are married with families of their own.

Frank's second wife, Alice, out-lived him by 23 years, as she was much younger, and was almost 89 when deceased. Of the first family of seven who grew up only three remain at the present time (1971); Odessa Shifley, Calgary; Preston of Vancouver, B.C., Ursula Nash, Bermuda Islands. The three youngest children are all living, all near Bashaw.

Marcellus Daniel Sharp (brother of Franklin's) was born about 1857. He came to Kansas some time after Frank did. He married Florence Patterson. They had two children, Adele and Marvin. They also moved to Bashaw, Alberta several years later than Frank. Marcellus or M.D. as he was usually called or "Marse" and his wife outlived Frank but have been dead now for about 25 years, also both of their children. Florence was a semi-invalid for a great part of her life as also was her daughter. Adele was childless but Marvin had a son and a daughter. His widow resides in Three Hills, Alberta, a very active alert woman at 70 some years. Her nurse daughter and family live in Montreal, her son and family in Detroit. Mae, (Mrs. Marvin Sharp) was a nurse herself and a very dedicated christian.

If the above information is insufficient, please let me know.

It's cold here--23 degrees below zero this morning and lots of snow.

Sincerely,

Ferne E. Kohl

Cousin Ferne, with four of her six grandchildren

Ferne's Home. Bashaw



2575 W. 35th Avenue
Vancouver 13, B.C.
November 26, 1973

Mr. John Calvin Sharpe
LaFayette, Alabama

Dear Sir:

I have read your book entitled "On The Hills of Home" and enjoyed the contents very much. It has been my intention to write a letter sometime ago to convey a few words of thanks and to supply a few details on Mr. Preston Roe Sharpe.

The second eldest daughter (Lily Mabel) of Preston is my wife and I always had a deep respect for him. He passed away in April of 1972 and is missed by all of us. His wife, Mabel, lives near to us in a suite and we see her very often.

It is indeed unfortunate that you and Preston did not meet personally in the last few years because after reading your book, I note the great similarities common to both. In fact your hand writing is much the same. Preston farmed at Bashaw, Alberta, until 1950 and ran approximately 200 head of Aberdeen Angus cattle. At this time his family was living in Vancouver, B. C., and he spent much of his time on the farm with old friends and looking after his farming interests. He found city life in Vancouver somewhat boring and missed his many friends for several years. He developed a great love for roses and began pursuing this interest with the same interest he formerly had for farming. He literally dug up the lawn and set in roses and eventually had at least 1000 plants which he cared for meticulously. In fact, every time I came home to my property I would find part of my lawn dug up and some new roses planted. He entered many rose shows and won numerous prizes and also served a term as the president of the Vancouver Rose Society. His other interests lay in fraternal organizations which he and his wife attended frequently.

Preston had a great memory often reciting verse that he learned while living in Kansas at a very early age and his ability to remember and tell jokes which he heard years ago was astounding. He was firm and fair and did much to help people out that showed the desire to attain a better living standard. He could not stand pretentious and phony characters and often let this be known in large meetings or in personal discussion. One direct, loud remark usually sufficed to put a know-it-all character in his place. I often thought about his potential, had he been brought up at a later time when a more leisurely life style allows more young people to continue their higher education.

The Sharpe Home was always a focal point for a gathering with Christmas, weddings, dinners and other activities taking place there. Mrs. Sharpe sold the house this year and I know it left lasting memories for all of us. Most of the roses were removed and donated to a city park as a memorial rose garden which is enjoyed by many visitors. I know Preston had deep religious convictions and a great love of life. Often when he introduced himself, he simply referred to being "nothing but a dirt farmer from Alberta".

I thought this brief summary of Preston would prove of interest to you and to others in the Sharpe families. To elaborate a bit more, I will bring you up to date on the Preston-Mabel Sharpe family. There are four girls listed in order of age:

Mary - married to Les Mullins - 7 children - living in Edmonton, Alberta
Mabel - married to Hank Lenko - 5 children - living in Vancouver, B. C.
Margaret - married to Stu McGillivray - 3 children - living in Vancouver, B.C.
Ella Mae - married to Dan Rose - 2 children - living in Las Altos, California

This gives a total of 17 grandchildren and I must say Preston loved them and had more patience with them than I will ever have.

Sometime we may take a trip down to your golf course and picnic site. I would like to visit the area and meet some of the Sharpes. I know Preston would have enjoyed the trip but he became more home oriented with age and never muster the incentive to return to Kansas or Alabama. We would extend an invitation to you folks to visit with us in Vancouver because I am sure it would be an enjoyable visit

I have type-written this letter purposely because I doubt that you could read my writing. The letter contents are rambling, but hopefully coherent and descriptive to you. Our sincere best wishes to all of you.

Yours truly:



H. Lenko and Family



Seated are Mr. and Mrs. Preston Roe Sharpe and their four daughters, described in the above letter. They are descendants of Daniel and Charlotte Tucker Sharpe.

Letter from Preston Roe Sharpe

Vancouver 9 B. C.
Jan. 12, 1971

Mr. and Mrs J. C. Sharpe

Dear Cousins,

First, I must tell you I am Preston Roe Sharpe, a son of F. P. or Franklin Pierce Sharpe, that moved from Alabama to Kansas in 1881. I believe there were 12 boys and 6 girls in Grandfather Daniel and Charlotte Tucker Sharpe's family in all. My father was born in 1853, and died in 1934. I am 79, just three of our family of seven left. My eldest sister is 91 and she got hold of a copy of a paper that gave an account of a Sharpe 21st Annual Reunion of the descendants of the late J. M. Sharpe. I presume that would be my cousin Jim that I've heard my father speak of. I had a sister, Odessa, that visited in Alabama about the turn of the century, along with my youngest sister, Gladys. I think she was only 5 or 6 years old at the time, and I remember this sister, Odessa, speaking often of this Uncle Jim that had quite a bunch of boys and the good times she had with them.

It seems as we get older that we crave more knowledge of our ancestors, so if you have the time and inclination, I sure would be glad to year from you. My mother was Mary Ella McCarley of Buffalo, Alabama, eldest daughter of Luther McCarley. I barely remember my mother, as she died in 1897; I was born in 1892. That would be a wonderful get together, 180 in all. I see in the list of names a Mr. and Mrs. Esten McCarley of White Plains. Would that be any relative of my mother's?

I'll name my father's brothers that I can remember. William H., the oldest, George, Andrew, John, Dewitt, Hiram, Tom, Frank, my father, Franklin and Marsellis, the youngest boy. He came to Kansas shortly after my father, and they lived there until between 1904 and 1911. Then the two families migrated to Western Canada. All of us have been very happy there as subject of Queen Elizabeth. Sure would love to hear from any of you.

I am married to an English girl, Mabel Stevenson, and we have four daughters and what a Good Looker she still is. We are fortunate to have most of our family near us in our old age. Might as well admit it.

I farmed on the Prairie of Western Canada until 1950 and retired in the City of Vancouver, British Columbia. My hobby is growing roses and I have about five hundred bushes; all of the latest varieties. I belong to the American Rose Society and visit some of the shows in Oregon and Washington States.

I hope you can make out some of this scribbling.

Love from Preston and Mabel
Sharpe

Ella Mae McCarley Sharpe, first wife of Franklin Pierce Sharpe, at about the age of 19. Married 1876, died 1899 in Kansas after the birth of her ninth child. Her children were Theodore, Odessa, Luther, Bertha, Otis, Ursula, Preston, Gladys and Ruth. This valuable information contributed by Cousin Mrs. R. F. Hirsch of Ottawa, Canada.



Letter from George Sharpe, son of Franklin Pierce Sharpe

Dear Cousin John,

I received your letter and would be glad to visit you some day, the Lord willing. I have been to Texas and California, but never to Alabama. I am sorry I do not have a picture of Grandfather, Daniel. We did have one of his wife enlarged. I notice that you have an e on Sharpe. My father never spelled his with an e. We have a beautiful country up here. It has been a long snowy winter, with drifts three or four feet deep yet. I am afraid it will be a late spring. In June the sun rises about 4:00 A.M. and sets at 8:00 P.M. Everything really grows fast.

I am carrying 40 sows to bring pigs this spring. The Lord has been very good to me and I am glad to say that I know Christ as my personal Savior, too.

And may God bless you all.

George Sharp
Bashaw, Alberta, Canada

765 Dunloe Ave.,
Ottawa, Ontario,
March 24th, 1975.

Dear Cousin,

I apologize for the delay in answering your letter of late January, but because of the delay I am able to send to you some further literature which may or may not interest you.

One reason for my delaying was because I asked my son to take some pictures of a painting I have of my grandmother Sharp (Franklin Sharp's first wife), and he was a little slow in getting round to it. The snapshots I enclose are those pictures, and if you can use them I will be very happy to have been helpful. The painting I refer to is a watercolor of Ella Mae McCarley, I was told that it was copied from a tintype of her at the age of about 19. The painting was my mother's and when she died I acquired it.

The other information was sent to me by my sister, who got it from Harman Shipley, my Aunt Odessa's son. It deals with the McCarley family ancestry, but the long rambling story doesn't make very much sense to me, largely because no dates are mentioned. Isn't it a shame that people don't realize how important dates are in genealogy. I did manage to pinpoint some names in the article by checking in your book, but it was still confusing to me. You may not be too concerned with the McCarley ancestry, but I thought perhaps you might know some of the people mentioned. I think Aunt Odessa may have had some correspondence with Martha C. Wood who wrote the letter, but we can't be sure, since her memory is getting very bad.

We had word in February that Aunt Ursula Sharp Nash died in Bermuda on February 2nd. She had been in a nursing home for about 2 years I think, and was 84 years old. Her death leaves only Aunt Odessa living of Franklin Sharp's family by his first wife.

I am sorry I could not produce a picture for you of Franklin Sharp's family, the best I could do was the picture of his wife. There are two girls living in Calgary, Alberta who are children of Luther and Theodore Sharp, they are older than I, and there may be a possibility of them having some pictures or information that would be useful to you, so I am enclosing their addresses.

I am thoroughly enjoying the new knowledge that has come to me of my mother's family. Please write again when you have gathered more information.

Yours sincerely,

G. Cousin Danes Hirsch

51 Gleason rd.
Lexington, Mass. 02173
Aug. 3, 1971

Letter written to Mrs. Odessa Shipley
daughter of Franklin Pierce Sharpe

Dear Mrs. Shipley: (Odessa)

My name is Martha Crosier Wood, my grandfather, whom I never knew, was Plummer Bell Crooks and his parents, my great-grandparents were James Crooks and Alvara Amarilla McCarley Crooks. I understand that through the McCarley line, we are related.

About two years ago I took up the hobby of genealogy and have a rather thick volume on my father's side. I have gotten almost nowhere with the Crooks-McCarley side. I got your name and address from Everett F. Hurt via an uncle.

I really don't know what your connection was, but I believe your mother was a McCarley also.

All I know about the McCarley's is that my great-great-grandfather was David McCarley who married Sarah McKee and, according to a history of Wilson County, Kansas, which includes a write up of James and Alvara Crooks, migrated from So. Carolina to Alabama in the early Indian days and were living in Chambers Co., Alabama in 1860.

Any help you can give me would be greatly appreciated. Besides dates and names, I'm hoping to include some family stories and find out what kind of people they were. I would appreciate knowing your own family history...when and where you were born, baptized, married, where you lived, organizational affiliations, occupation, etc. I would also like this for your parents, grandparents and as far back as you can go on the McCarley side. (Also sisters and brothers.)

Are David and Sarah our common relatives? Do you know Sarah's maiden name or either of their ancestry? Do you know anything about their life? Where did they come from in So. Carolina? Mr. Hurt mentions an Aunt Sally, my mother's great aunt. Who was she?

Really, on this side, anything you help me with is a great help. Neither my mother nor her brothers have even been able to supply much information about their aunts and uncles and grandparents. I realize this is an imposition, but I would be very, very appreciative.

Just a few notes about myself. I'm 33...mother of two, a son 6 and a daughter, 8½. My husband is an engineer and I'm working part time as a public relations director for a local hospital. I'm a former newspaper reporter and have always loved history and antiques as a hobby. The genealogy just seemed a natural outgrowth of these other interests.

Oh, I forgot to ask...did you ever know my grandfather, Plummer Crooks? If so I'd like an honest description of him and his wife for that matter.

Sincerely,

Martha C. Wood

Odessa Sharpe Shipley's response to Mrs. Wood's Letter

Grandfather McCarley--A. Luther McCarley Chambers Cou. Ala.
 Grandmother McCarley--Mary Ursula Smith Ala.
 Great Grandfather McCarley--David McCarley, Scotland, a Scot of Ulster.
 Great Grandmother McCarley--Sarah McKee--Scottish

Uncle Henry--David Henry McCarley, Buffalo, Alabama
 Uncle Wesley--John Wesley McCarley, Buffalo, Alabama
 Uncle Bunyon--Albert Bunyon McCarley, Buffalo, Alabama
 Uncle Alex.--Alexander Reed McCarley, Buffalo, Alabama
 Aunt Sara--Sarah Martha McCarley, Buffalo, Alabama
 Aunt Senie--Alvara A. Jenith McCarley, (Frazer?)
 Uncle Thomas--William Thomas Hollingsworth, Ga.

David McCarley came to S. C. from Scotland later to Alabama with his wife and four sons. My grandfather was one of those--others were John, Samuel, Joseph and David. Papa's father, David--I do not know what his wife's name was. My grandparents brought with them grandmother's sister--Nance Kall McKee--I even remember her--she lived to old age--I remember now that my grandfather had two daughters who remained in South Carolina, and reared their families there--four sons came to Alabama with parents. My father and these two sisters, Aunt Alvara Crooks--Nee Alvara Aquilla McCarley--and Carthara Savilla Sarah McCarley who reared her family in Illinois, married a man named Cooper. She had three sons who still are in and around Chicago, one daughter, Salie Cooper, who married Smith. You know how very prominent Aunt Alvara's family have become--to begin with Laura who with her husband David Hibbard, minister were first missionaries sent to Phillippines after being annexed to the U. S. A. She lived there thirty years. They founded a school for boys and did accomplish wonders with those people. Their station or town was dumaquitte on the Island of Gangan--the place now so horrible, besieged by the Japs. They were retired two years ago and now live in a beautiful home in California given to them by the Northern Presbyterian--they are near Burbank, the place where the great Lockheed Planes are built. Her or their son Hall Hibbard is chief engineer and Vice-President of this great plant so we are proud to claim him as a near relative--not only because of his prominence, but a fine Christian quiet man. Their other son Donald is an educator President of Parson's College in Iowa, youngest College President in the U.S.A. when elected to that position. I do not know if he is still there. You know about their children and maybe this too--Uncle James Crooks was born in Ireland, so their children have good blood, Scotch and Irish, no better than ours. My mother's parents were Irish and Papa's Scotch.

Our fore-fathers were not rich--not even slave owners. They didn't think it was right Only one in the family, Great Uncle John McCarley owned one family--but they surely left us an inheritance I am prouder of--upright, honest, Christian men and women the McC's all Scotch Presbyterians of the old school, and strict they were as to Sabbath observances and bringing their children up. They are all still Presbyterians.

My mother's people as I said were Irish, and her grandmother's name was Mary Harden. I do not know much of her people only her immediate family. They were Methodist. They came to Alabama from Georgia. (She came too) She had five sisters--Elizabeth, Martha, Gimmice, Ann Rachel, Carinne and Ursula, my mother, and four brothers, John, Wesley, Harden and Ira, all of whom were killed or died as a result of that horrible war between the States over negro slaves. I recall now that my grandfather had three sisters who came here with family and two left in S. C. These were Martha, Elizabeth and Mary. Papa called them all Aunt of course, and another brother I did not mention--Elias, all McCarleys of course. Wasn't that a family. I'll write them all again--your great grandfather's David McCarley and Sarah McKee McCarley's sons and daughters, first names only--Elias, Joseph, John, David, Samuel, Martha, Elizabeth, Mary, and one left in S.C., I did not know. All of them were truly Christian men and not one of them were rich but all owned splendid homes for that day and all farmers or wives of the same. I can remember all of them and proud was I to know them as Great Uncles and Aunts.

October 18, 1973

Dear Lois, Groggan Pasadena, Texas.

Sorry for my delay in answering your nice letter. I had a very interesting letter from Jay D. Griffin of Denton, Texas, asking information regarding my book, "On The Hills Of Home", which I gladly mailed to him at his home.

I was real glad to hear from you again. It was just like getting a letter from homefolks, and I hope this finds you still in good health. As you know, I am in my 80th year, and enjoying every day of it, but I have slowed down quite a lot and true to nature am taking things a little more easily. I still enjoy music, and feel that it helps me keep going. I made my first recording of my piano playing along with a couple of old hymns I like to sing. Before going into the service in 1917, I took 20 lessons on the organ and piano-- just enough to be able to play sacred music, and I had the opportunity of playing a little folding organ for the Chaplain in some of the hospitals while in service in Atlanta, Georgia.

I have a little "Believe It Or Not" story I would like to tell you about in as few words as I can. I had a nice long letter from one of my cousins, who lived in Georgia, just before I left going overseas. Not having time to answer it, I took it with me to answer later. When I arrived back home, I stored all my old letters in the bottom of my trunk. This year, 1973, I came across this letter and decided to answer it just to see what would happen, and lo! and behold, I received a nice long letter from the person who wrote the letter 55 years ago. She still lived at the same address, and we are still corresponding now at the age of 82. What do you think about that? Of course a think like that could only happen once in a lifetime. Our cousins in Georgia were from my mother's side of the family, the Milfords. My mother raised 10 Sharpe boys, of which I am No. 9.

I am glad I did not finish this letter when I started it. I have just received a letter from Jay D. Griffin of Denton, Texas, with a check enclosed to cover the postage and cost of his copy of my book. I will mail one to him right away. So take good care of yourself, and if I ever get a chance, would like to visit with you and yours. May God bless you daily.

Your cousin,

John C. Sharpe

My grandfather died aging only fortyfive. He and grandmother had Papa Luther, eldest, an only brother, Plumer David McCauley, Albara, and Carthara, "Callie", common and Jane and a sister who died a young girl. Papa being the eldest had the responsibility of the home, mother old Aunt Nancy McKee and sisters and brother. They remained in the old home in which parents made first settling in Alabama. Papa later owned the home and add we were all born there. (Papa's) The house was built of hewn logs--all early homes were, with outside weather board and ceiling inside which made a very comfortable home and nice looking and they lasted for time and time again. One of the old homes is yet standing owned by one of the old Uncles--John as it was originally built still in good condition. Elias home is in perfect condition. Ours was torn away and made into a tenant house when we built the stone one your saw when you were here.

Well, as to my sister's family. The eldest Clarke lives in Atlanta Ga., now--Yes, he was in Havana, Cuba fifteen years--last ten years as manager of the Federal Reserve Bank there--at last moved back to Atlanta. For a time was in the Bank in New Orleans, La. His only child a daughter Alvara, is sixteen now--a pretty bright girl--typical Spanish type--her mother is Spaniard. Franklin, second son has sweet little family, wife, two boys--5 and 7. M. E. Married dentist--Dr. Ringsdorf--German name but not in character. They have three boys. Sarah married a minister Rev. John St. Clair. They live in Virginia, and have two little Girls.

Charlotte Victoria (Vick) Sharpe Griffin, wife of Hugh Griffin and 13th child of Daniel H. and Charlotte Tucker Sharp. It should be of special interest to her many living descendants that reside throughout Texas, and other states over the west. b 2/27/55 d 2/22/30, m 11/18/1879
Photo made Aug, 1916 at age 61.
Hello, Lois Groggan and Dan C.Griffin



Uncle Marcellus Sharpe and wife, Florence Patterson Sharpe, 15th child of Daniel H. and Charlotte Tucker Sharp. b. nov. 29, 1861, m March 25, 1885, d June 28, 1943. Buried at Wetaskiwin, Alberta, Canada. In his words "We would admonish one and all who may chance to see this, strive to enter at the Straight Gate. We will see Him in the Rapture."



Louis Groggan letter of Pasadena, Texas.

March 17, 1972

Dear John,

I know you will be surprised to hear from me, but here I am. Dan sent me your letter, and was so glad to get it. Also one they sent, too. We don't get to see much of our folks any more, so many are gone. There are only five of us left out of nine. Hugh, Dan, John, myself, and Ina, as you know we are all getting up in years, some in the 80s, and the others in their 70s. I had my 77th birthday in January of this year, so you can see what I mean about us getting old.

I would love so much meeting some or all of our kin people. Yes, we would be strangers, but I am sure that wouldn't make too much difference with all of us. About the book you are printing, I wonder if there would be one for me, since I know so little about my mothers folks, or Dads either.

We have been in Pasadena over three years. All of our children live down here. We lost our oldest son, Sherwood, nearly two years ago with a heart attack, and we still miss him. All the other five are doing well and we see them real often, and they are so good to us.

I want to hear from you and if any of you ever come to Texas, come to see us. Jack, my oldest brother, has two boys living in Houston. Percy has one living here, so you see there are a bunch of the kin here.

Write and tell me a lot of things.

A Cousin, Louis Groggan

MY FAMILY TREE

By Lucille Gilmour
Manitoba, Canada

The article in last week's issue of this newspaper interested me, as I have in my hand, this history in book form. My next thought was to start off the new club with such a study, since we have quite a few helpful guideline laid down by earlier research in genealogical history by cousins, John Calvin Sharpe, his wife, Euna Mae and Novie Jane Benton, her sister, with the help of many others. It dates back to 1066 to incidents in the old country, but their first landings were made on the coast of Virginia in 1607, at Jamestown, with Samuel Sharpe attending The First Assembly of Virginia in 1619, representing James City.

The genealogy continues with the older generations - pictures of my own great, great grandfather and mother before the Civil War. It also contains many names of towns named by some of my ancestors who were living in the New England states, and still go by the same name. In reading the book, I further noticed that many of my ancestors had records of service in the Revolutionary War, among which were Thomas and George Black Sharpe, as well as Cyrus Sharpe. In the ^{Revolutionary} Civil War were four brothers; John, Robert, Henry and William Sharpe, from my Milford family. John Henry, Andrew Jackson, George and Tommy L. Sharpe were in the Civil War, also. In World War I were J. Cal Sharpe and Archie D. Gray. In World War II were Sgt. Maj. James Milford Sharpe, Lieutenant Emmett Farrington, Major Buford Sharpe (USAF) The Hon. Mitchell Sharpe was a member of the Canadian Parliament since 1969. Grandfather Daniel Sharpe took part in the Battle of Horseshoe Bend in the Indian Wars, and many other relatives were in the Korean and Viet-Nam wars. Two of my uncles, Franklin P. and Marcellus Sharpe came to Canada and lived in Alberta.

One of Uncle Frank's daughters, Odessa Shipley, still lives in Canada and she is now 98 years old. Cyrus Sharpe lived to be 96. John Calvin Sharpe still owns the farm of our Grand Grandfather, Daniel Sharpe, and is the fourth generation to own it. He has built part of the farm into a playground, known throughout the area as Sharpe's Playgrounds, where the Tri-County Arts and Crafts is held each year, as well as numerous family and church gatherings.



Mrs Lucille Gilmour (nee Sharpe) shows her family's book entitled "On the Hills of Home"

WM. H. MATHEWS, JR.
1206 WALNUT STREET
TEXARKANA, TEXAS 75501

May 22, 1972

John C. Sharpe.

LaFayette, Ala.

Dear Mr. Sharpe:

Thank you for your letter of May 19, and I will try to answer your questions as best I can. Of course my William Sharp and your grandfather were not the same, my William was b circa 1770 in Maryland and d March 18, 1845 in Merriwether County Ga. His will is recorded in book "A" record of wills of Merriwether Co Ga on page 85.

He was a Methodist preacher and plantation owner, his plantation included the land on which Warm Springs, Ga. is now located. His wife was Judith Smith who was the daughter of Gen. Daniel Smith. The general was a very prominent citizen, having been appointed by George Washington in 1790 as secretary of the territories south of the Ohio river. Previously in 1779 he had been appointed commissioner to run and establish the boundary lines between Virginia and N. Carolina by Thomas Jefferson, who was governor of Virginia 1779, to 1791. He was also a presidential elector and member of the constitutional convention of 1796, was elected to the senate to succeed Andrew Jackson, where he served from 1798 to 1805. He retired in 1809 to his plantation in Sumner Co., Tenn where he died in 1818. Smith County in north central Tennessee is named for him.

William and Judith Smith had children George, William S., Martha, Jehu H., Harriet, Elizabeth Ellen, James, and Eliza H. Nothing much is known about George, Martha, Harriet, James and Eliza. William S. was a physician who moved to Macon Co. Ala and d. there 1852. He had a son, James Allen, who came to Texas and settled in Marion Co Near Jefferson; where some of his descendents still live.

Elizabeth Ellen married Milo B. Mathews, who was a brother of my great grandfather. She and her children moved to Texas after Milo's death in Merriwether Co Ga and they have numerous descendents all over Texas.

Jehu Harrison Sharp was my great grandfather. He also moved to Marion Co Tex after his wife died in Macon Co Ala. bringing with him his family which was composed of 8 daughters, one of whom was my grandmother. All of these daughters lived to adulthood and married, and by them I have kinfolks all over this part of the country, including some of whom you may have heard- for instance, Ross Perot, who may now be the richest man in Texas and who made the headlines a year or so ago with his attempt to deliver Christmas packages to the Viet Nam prisoners. His grandfather and my father were first cousins. Jehu Sharp married again after arriving in Texas and had 5 more children.

I hope that this little information will be of some assistance to you. I actually know more about the Mathews family and the Earp family than I do the Sharps. Earp was my mother's maiden name and she was of the same family as Wyatt Earp, the frontier marshal. In closing, will say I will soon be 69 having been retired now for 7 years as Superintendent of the U. S. Mail Terminal here. Good luck and good hunting.

With best regards,

Wm H. Mathews Jr

Give my regards also
to Mrs. Benton

1206 Walnut Street
Texarkana, Texas 75501
Sept. 9, 1973

Dear John,

Thank you for your letter just received yesterday and let me say that I will certainly appreciate your gift of "The Hills Of Home". I certainly had not forgotten you. I have several letters and clippings you sent me from the Columbus Inquirer regarding the publishing of your book in my files, and also a letter of two from your sister-in-law, Novie Jane Benton.

According to the way I figure it, you and your family and I are distant cousins, being connected by a common ancestor at least five generations ago. I was only too glad to contribute what information I had about the Sharps. It was little enough, I know. I am constantly amazed to find out some of the people I am distantly kin to. Take, as an example, Ross Perot, of Dallas, now reputed to be the richest man in the U. S. He is a second cousin, once removed, of mine on the Sharp side - also, of course, distantly kin to you. Then, on the Earp side (my mother was an Earp before marriage) I am a 4th cousin, once removed, of Wyatt Earp, the frontier marshal!

The enclosed card might be somewhat interesting to you. This year (1973) is the centennial of the founding of the city of Texarkana. As a part of the big celebration, my best friend of more than 40 years, Baron Stanhope, produced a series of historical postcards. This scene is supposedly the first sale of town lots which was held on December 20, 1873. At the time, my great grand-father, Jehu Harrison Sharp was living in Marion County about 50 miles from here. He attended this sale, driving the 50 miles in a buggy, and bought one of the first lots sold, which he still owned at the time of his death one year later. When Stanhope learned about this, he drew Jehu Sharp as the central character in the scene, with his hand upraised as he was bidding on the lot. Of course, no one except the artist and I and those I have told know about this, but thought you might be interested in the Sharp connection.

Sincerely, Wm. H. Mathews, Jr. Descendant of William Sharp and Judith Smith
2nd Son of George Sharp and Mary Bailey



TEXARKANA

Altho the Trammel Trace and the Osage Trail came through this area, called Lost Prairie, no one knew there would be a town here or what it would be named. The St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern railroad had built a line this far and were extending it south toward Marshall, Texas. The Cairo and Fulton, now Texas and Pacific, had come as far as Fulton Arkansas river port there and Major Gus Knobel was sure to extend that railroad to connect with the Iron Mountain at the Texas line. There was much excitement and speculation as to where they would meet.

After the rails were laid the first narrow gauge, wood burning train arrived at four o'clock on December 7th, 1873 and with it came Major Montrose to hold an auction and sell off city lots on the Texas side of town. A month later the Cairo and Fulton put the Arkansas side of town on the market and the town grew rapidly as a market for lumber, cotton and farm products. No one is sure how the town got its name but someone nailed a board on a tree reading Tex-Ark-Ana and so it was named.

Capt. L. Stephenson District, Tax Digest

JOHN SHARP owned land as follows: 506 1/4 acres in Baldwin Co. Ga.
101-1/4 acres in Wilkinson Co.
202 1/2 acres in Telpair

Capt. Ellison District

WM SHARP owned land as follows: 100 acres & 276 acres in Baldwin Co.

4th CENSUS- 1820 BALDWIN CO. GEORGIA page 42

WM SHARP

<u>Males</u> in household	Females in household
1 under 10 years	3 under 10 years
2-between 10 & 15 years	1- 16 to 18 years
1- between 16 & 18 years	1- 25 years
1- 45 years & over	1- 45 & over(This would be Wm's wife)
(This would be Wm)	1-45 plus & over(perhaps a Mother)

Minutes of the Court- 1812- 1819, microfilm at Archives, Atlanta, Ga.

page 78- 1814

WM SHARP appeared in Court qualified for letters of Administration in the Estate of Michael Bayne.

page 111- Same in the Estate of James English

page 176- WM SHARP made return which was approved
Reference: Drawer 122, Box 69 Baldwin Co. Ordinary Minutes 1807-1833

HANCOCK CO. GA. Superior Court Index to Deeds & Mortgages
Vol. A-C 1794- 1887

SHARP, WM . 1807- 200 acres from James Swan
1809- 73 acres sold to Charley Bradley
1812- 544 acres sold to Robert Wright

SHARP, JOHN M. 1835

Sold to B. McKenzie--- 353 acres
Purchased from R. S. Sayne---321 acres
Purchased from Bank of Augusta 372 acres
Purchased from Peter Burnock 373 acres

INDEX to HEADRIGHT 1796-1850 HANCOCK CO. GA. Drawer 46-Box 76 Book CCCCC.

WM SHARP --49 acres located at Spring Creek, dated 1800-page 508.

WM SHARP listed in the Tax Digest Hancock Co. Ga.

WM. H. MATHEWS, JR.

1206 WALNUT STREET

TEXARKANA, TEXAS 75501

Sept. 11, 1973

John C. Sharpe,
LaFayette, Ala.

Dear Cousin John:

I suppose you will be surprised to get two letters from me within a day or so of each other, but you realize, I suppose, that the other letter was written before receipt of "The Hills of Home" which arrived in good condition this morning. At the time I wrote the other letter, I did not of course realize what a work of art and a valuable collection of family memories and history you had produced. I have only had time to barely sketch through it but I have seen enough to know that you should be very proud of having produced this book, as am I in receiving a copy of it.

I have not yet had time to figure out, if I can, just where our line of the Sharp(e)'s branched ~~XXXXXX~~ off from yours. My knowledge of my Sharp line is very incomplete, but I do note many things in our history in common with your Sharpe history.

For instance, it is known that my Sharp ancestor who came from Great Britain and whose name was supposedly George Sharp, landed first in the West Indies, where he remained for some time before continuing on the trip to America, where he was supposed to have landed and settled first in Maryland. This account is similar to that of your Samuel Sharp who was first to cross the Atlantic and was shipwrecked on the coast of Bermuda and was delayed some time before he could continue his voyage. Do you suppose it was possible that my George could have been a brother, or more likely, a son, of your Samuel?

Anyway, such things are something to conjecture about. I note that you speak of some Sharps who lived in Maryland. That is as far back as I have been able to trace mine. When my ancestors left Maryland, they moved to Baldwin County, Ga. thence to Merriwether County, Ga. and from there to Macon County, Ala. near Tuskegee where my grandmother, Harriet Indiana Sharp Mathews, was born in 1840. From there, my great grandfather, Jehu Harrison Sharp, moved on to Marion County Texas about 50 miles from where I live. Some of your Sharpes, I note from your book, followed the same route, Georgia to Alabama to Texas. As a matter of interest, I might add that my g-g-g grandfather Jeremiah Mathews lived in Baldwin Co. Ga. at the same time as did my Sharps, they moved westward at about the same time except that my Mathews ancestors made it from Georgia to Texas in one jump, whereas my Sharps stopped over in Alabama for some years before coming on to Texas.

I want to say again how very much I appreciate your gift of "The Hills of Home". It will be studied, preserved, and passed on to future generations.

With best personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

Wm. H. Mathews Jr.



H. ROSS PEROT

Rise Sought In Market Confidence

By SALLYE SALTER

Constitution Business Writer

Investors are not going to come bounding back to the stock market even when many of the uncertainties that have been blamed for investor absence have been settled.

It is going to take a lot of hard work on the part of the brokerage industry to get them back, according to H. Ross Perot, the Texas multimillionaire who poured more than \$60 million into a failing brokerage house in 1970.

The firm, duPont Glore, has since merged with Walston & Co., resulting in duPont Walston, Inc. with volume second only to Merrill Lynch Pierce Fenner & Smith Inc.

"Historically the brokerage business has waited for lightning to strike," said Perot. "We are not betting on that."

In Atlanta last week to visit the duPont Walston office, he said, "Your typical broker who came into a bull market never had to sell and build his customer base. He came in. They connected his phone and he took orders. He doesn't know how to go out and sell."

H. ROSS PEROT is a descendant of George Black Sharpe and Mary Bailey Sharpe, and Cyrus Sharpe m Frances Ann Crowford of Georgia

DuPont Walston's business plan is "to build its customer base a customer at a time," said Perot. "Suddenly we will not be overrun with massive bull markets. I would be delighted if it happens but our business plan is that we will have to go out and

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build a bigger customer base by good service and by good salesmanship."

The training center Perot has set up in California for training and retraining brokers has been much talked about in brokerage circles. The recruits, along with their families, move to California for six months of intensive training.

"I hire all these men and I monitor the training program carefully," said Perot. "We are spending more money on training now than anybody else in the industry, possibly more than the entire industry."

"The main thing is to have the broker that deals with the client serve the client and not look at the client as a source of commission," said Perot. "The basic switch must be made from the idea the broker exists to make money for his client as opposed to some of the feeling that the client exists to pay commissions to the brokers."

Perot's idea of what a stockbroker should be is "trained to serve primarily the individual investor in a very broad sense—not just

sell him stock but help him to develop a complete plan to build his estate. To help him do that they have got to understand a lot of things that brokers never understood before." Overall, he said, the financial plan the broker works out should be well-rounded enough to include savings account, high quality corporate or municipal bonds—the conservative investments, big "seasoned" stocks, high quality but cyclical stocks and lastly, maybe 10 per cent, in "high risk or emerging situations."

Perot wants his customers to be aware when they are heavily invested in high risk situations. "We monitor every transaction that takes place to make sure that every time we have a customer whose assets are not spread, we nudge the branch manager," he said, not to force a change, but to let the customer know.

Perot, whose success stemmed from his Electronic Data Systems Corp., which has moved into handling the backroom paperwork for brokerage firms, expects the turning point for the stock market to be the tax and trade bill.

The deluge of uncertainties that have kept investors turned off for several months, he said, include others besides the usual ones mentioned, such as high interest rates.

"One thing that bothered the individual investor that is no on the surface revolves around the FBI," he said. "He trusted the FBI. He couldn't believe that kind of problem could exist around the FBI and yet there it was."

Another he cited was "the Russian wheat deal being revealed as the problem it turned out to be. The implications to that will go on for years because for the first time the American people understand the Russians and they understand they out-traded us. It may be the real capitalists are over there. They can't believe that we sold wheat to the Russians and now the Russians are marking it up and selling it to other European countries. They can't believe that the price of bread in the U.S. is higher. They understand very clearly that animals eat grain and that if you sell all the wheat at bargain prices, you dry up the feed supply and the price of chicken goes up."



COSTUMED MEMBERS OF LEAGUE AT FAIR SITE

On benches, from left to right: Mrs. David Naugher, Mrs. Ronald Traylor, Mrs. Tommy Hill, Mrs. Lloyd Turner, Mrs. Bob Seabolt, Mrs. John Tinney.

On steps, from top to bottom, left to right: Mrs. James Fincher, Mrs. Joel Kennis, Mrs. W.T. Hawkins, Mrs. Gordon Bradshaw, Mrs. Jerry Cotney, Mrs. A.B. Sprague,

Mrs. Gordon Ussery, Mrs. Frank Phillips, Mrs. Ralph Jones.

Standing on left: Mrs. Larry Armstrong, Mrs. Jerry Deitz.

Standing on right: Mrs. D.J. Husky, Mrs. Spec Bonner, Mrs. Denny Wood.

Leaguers work for best Fair

The Roanoke Junior Service League members are working to make this third annual White Plains Country Fair bigger and better than last year's. The date is October 2, one week from this Saturday. The gates will open at 9 a.m. Many booths will be displaying arts, crafts, and antiques.

Chambers Academy of LaFayette will have delicious Brunswick stew, sandwiches, and cakes for lunch in addition to snacks. The Standing Rock Fire and Rescue Squad will direct cars in the large parking area during the day.

Country and Western singers and band and Roanoke's Visions of '76 singers will entertain throughout the day with music and song. Antique cars from the Roanoke, LaGrange, and Valley area will be on display. The men will enjoy a demonstration of carving with chain saws.

"Smokey the Bear" will be at the fair to share information about forest fires. A steam calliope playing in the rustic surroundings will set the mood for the fair. The children will especially enjoy a mule and wagon ride and a face-painting exhibit.

The Junior Service League will use its proceeds from the fair to support its civic projects. This year the League hopes to aid the Roanoke elementary schools, the Association for Retarded Citizens, and the Roanoke City Library.

In addition to these new projects, the League sponsors a storytime for four- and five-year-olds at the City Library, transportation to Birmingham to the Crippled Children's Clinic, and vision screening and the hearing clinic at the Roanoke elementary schools.

The League also works with the Randolph County

Health Department in sponsoring a pre-natal clinic each month at the same time of the maternity clinic. In addition, League members help in other ways when and where needed.

The 1975 Country Fair enabled the Service League to aid the Association for Retarded Citizens in beginning its new school, as well as making available supplementary learning materials for the elementary schools.

The Junior Service League needs your support! Come to the fair with your family, do some early Christmas shopping, and join in the fun!

John Calvin Sharpe will celebrate his 83rd, birthday Dec, 23, 1976. Was born Dec, 23, 1893, the fourth generation to live at Sharpe's Play Grounds, where he lived his intire life. He was a World War One Veteran, spending two years in service, most of that, over-seas, took part on the Belgium Front, in Flanders - Field, Saint Mihiel Drive, Pent-O-Moussen, Mezell River and the toughest battle of all , the Brake-Through of the Hindenburg Line, and on through the Argonne Forest, to the signing of the Peace, Treaty, November 11, 1918.

My leisurly high -lights were, swimming in the English Channel, putting on a Sham-Battle between Calais and Dunkirk, before Gen. Jack Pershing watching from his Motorcycle Side Car, climbing the Alps Mountains, Parading in London before the King and Queen, and hearing President Woodrow Wilson as he spoke to the men in Kaki, near Paris, on my twenty fifth birthday in 1918, Joined the American Legion in La-Mans France, before coming home. Landed in Hoboken N.J. on Memorial day May 30, on the good ship, USS Mobile, a beautiful Day, and a beautiful view awaited us , watching the sunrise behind us coming up over the Atlantic, we were met a couple of miles out, by a large Fletillar of smaller boats of various sizes and color, with signs lifted high, for that special one or more, they were expecting to be aboard the Mobile

To my pleasent surprise, a Cousin of mine from Tampa Fla. whome I had never met, met me at the boat, introduced herself, and was invited to spend some time, in New York, as she was working there, but this fellow had already begun to sing, "I'm On The Way Home", and "I Would'nt Take Nething For My Journey Now". and "there Is No Place Like Home". So, here is wishing all our friends and neighbors a Happy Holliday Season. and May God Bless You and Your Home.